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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 2, 1935

Mrs. Clara B. Bruce
THE PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Madam:

14-29-1

I wish you would ask the directors of the Dunbar Apartments if they cannot consider a reduction in my rent. For considerably less, the amount that I am now paying, I could secure suitable apartments. But this would involve the expense and discomfort of moving. While eventually I shall move, I should like to continue in my present apartments for at least six months and possibly a couple of years. If, however, no reduction can be made, I shall have to consider an earlier removal.

Of course I realize the advantages which the protection of living in the Dunbar Apartments secures, but at the same time, comparing the price which I am paying with some of your new and reduced rentals, and the extra equipment which you are now furnishing, I feel very distinctly that my rent is considerably too high.

I shall be glad to have you put this before the directors and let me have their decision at your earliest convenience.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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WEBD/DW

14-6-38

Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER JR.
2594 SEVENTH AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY
PHONE EDGECOMBE 4-3181

ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

January 7, 1935

Doctor W. E. Burghardt DuBois
Box 356
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor DuBois:

Mrs. Bruce received your letter of January 2 in due course of mail, immediately forwarding the same as you desired to our directors for special consideration.

The directors have just returned the letter to me with the following comment: "Sorry, we can't do this!"

Please bear in mind that your monthly payment for nine (9) rooms is $94.90 or $10.54 per room. This is comparatively low.

We are so anxious for your family group to remain here at the Dunbar that I am wondering whether they could get along with five rooms instead of nine, you authorizing us to re-sell the stock and relet the 4-room apartment. I believe that we could do this rather quickly, although, of course, I cannot guarantee it. If you desire it, we could endeavor to re-sell the stock and relet the 4-room apartment before you vacate so as to reduce your loss thereon to the very minimum. Will you please let us know?

With heartfelt good wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

Resident Manager

RCB:BWG

Personal

P.S. I have just been reading C. S. Johnson's "Shadow of the Plantation." How discouraging it all is!

14-6-39

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ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

February 13, 1935

Doctor W. E. Burghardt DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor DuBois:

I had a long talk with one of our Directors this afternoon. He is thoroughly familiar with the status of your account and he is very friendly. But he suggests that it is very much to your interest in view of the strong tendency of the account for you to authorize us to cancel your lease so far as it relates to the 4-room apartment so that you will be responsible for the payments, etc. only on the 5-room apartment. If you will recall, I made the suggestion on my own initiative some time ago. It is needless to go into the figures but I believe that you will appreciate that repetition of this suggestion is distinctly in your interest as well as that of the Corporation.

Please be so good as to give the matter your most earnest attention, and advise me as soon as possible.

With sincere good wishes, believe me to be

Faithfully yours,

RCB

Resident Manager

RCB:BWG

14-6-40

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 15, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS, Inc.
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I am planning to move from my apartments on or about July 1, and would like to have the leases arranged accordingly. On account of my absence from the city, it will be impossible to arrange moving before then, or I should do so. I shall be in the city about June 4 or 5, and then will attend to the matter immediately. Meanwhile, I shall make regular rent payments on the 1st of each month. Will you kindly let me know if this is satisfactory?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-9-41

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ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

February 18, 1935

Doctor W. E. Burghardt DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor DuBois:

Perhaps I should have called your attentionin my letter of the other day to the following:

Status of the account for
5G and J: 226 W. 150th Street

Gross Equity (Including Down Payment)		$1,295.14
Equity Advances to date (February 15, 1935).....		764.30
Net Equity as of February 28, 1935		$ 530.84
This is inadequate security to satisfy the following:		
Normal redecoration	$180.00	
Estimate of Supervisor of Mechanics covering restoration of 9-room apartment to the original set-up of 1 four and 1 five	470.00	
Arrears in monthly payments as of February 18, 1935	94.90	744.90
DEFICIENCY.....		$ 214.06*

*Which would be increased by each unpaid monthly instalment.

You can readily see the necessity for clearing up this deficiency as soon as practicable, say, by monthly payments thereon in addition to the regular monthly payments.

If a 90-day notice were given your lease would not expire until January 31, 1936.

Very sincerely yours,

Resident Manager

RCB:BWG

14-9-42

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 11, 1935

Mr. Roscoe C. Bruce
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

Answering your letter of February 18, I beg to say that I wish to terminate the tenancy at 226 West 150 Street as soon as possible. If I could be excused from my lease, I should like to move this summer, if not, I shall move January 31.

With regard to the cost of restoring the apartments, I beg to say that I think your estimate is excessive. The cost of making the repairs in 1927 was $336. Since then, the price of labor and materials has been greatly reduced. It seems to me that an estimate of $470 is excessive. I also doubt if the redecoration need cost $180 to be in first-class condition, but at any rate, I should be glad if you would ask the Directors if they would allow me to submit the estimate of a reliable contractor to compare with yours.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-6-43

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ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER.

March 13, 1935

Doctor W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor DuBois:

In response to your communication of March 11, which I have taken up with our supervisor of mechanics, Mr. Roger W. Flood, I am writing to say that we have no objection in the world to your securing bids from responsible outside contractors provided that their estimates are based upon our specifications. If the contractors call upon Mr. Flood, he will be pleased to give them the specifications. Let me assure you that the resident management is exceedingly anxious to cooperate with you in every possible way.

I may state, however, I really do not believe it will be worthwhile to ask our directors to terminate your lease earlier than the date of maturity. Of course, it would be very easy to dispose of the 4-room apartment but it might be difficult to dispose of the 5-room apartment in due season. If, however, you insist, I shall be glad to take up the matter with the directors so as to get a definite decision from them upon your proposition to be relieved of your obligations this summer. Will you please let me know.

With heartfelt good wishes, I am as ever

Faithfully yours,

Resident Manager

RCB/h

44-9-44

(Sent from Texas)

March 27, 1935

Mr. Roscoe C. Bruce
Dunbar Apartment
7th Avenue and 150th Street
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Bruce:

In accordance with the last letter, I am kindly asking you to attend to the following:

1. Take up matter of ~~consultation~~ cancellation of lease with directors.

2. Kindly send me the specifications for the repairs in my apartment when it is given up including restoration of partitions and painting.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/w

W. E. B. DuBois

14-6-45

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ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER.

April 1, 1935

Doctor W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor DuBois:

In response to your communication of recent date which I immediately placed before our Directors, I am in receipt of the following letter of instructions from Vice-President Staley:

"Referring to the letter of Mr. W. E. B. DuBois dated March 27th, I have taken this up with the Directors and they have decided that if Mr. DuBois has no arrears as of July 1st, 1935, and has enough equity to cover the cost of changing his apartments back to their normal condition, we will be willing to cancel his lease as of June 30th, 1935."

Please be so good as to let me know if this arrangement is entirely satisfactory to you.

With sincere good wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

Resident Manager

RCB:BWG

14-9-41

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 4, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS, Inc.
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I have your letter of April 1 and thank you for it. I want to take advantage of this, if possible, but as I cannot get North until sometime in June, it may take until August 1 to get moved. I assume that if the other conditions were fulfilled that I could be released August 1 instead of July 1, were that necessary.

May I repeat my request for the exact specifications of the changes required in the apartment? I should like these to submit to contractors.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

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ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
Resident Manager

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
Assistant Resident Manager

April 6, 1935

Doctor W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-6

My dear Doctor DuBois:

My attention has just been called to the fact that you have not yet filed your current PLAN LETTER. This disappoints me as I have endeavored to explain to you previously the urgency of filing this letter at once.

My understanding is that those who do not file their plan letters in due season must be classified as being on Plan I and so charged.

You will please therefore be so good as to file your PLAN LETTER at once even though you desire to be on Plan I, as evidence of your choice should be in the hands of our Cashier-Bookkeeper as a support for his procedure.

Please attend to this matter right away without fail.

Believe me as ever with sincere personal good wishes,

Faithfully yours,

Resident Manager

14-6-30

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 10, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS, Inc.
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of April 1, and I accept the offer of the Directors to cancel my lease as of June 30, 1931. I would like to say, however, that it would be more conveni nt for me to have the cancellation take place as of July 31, if this request is also agreeable to the Board. If not, I will move June 30. I assume that under the circumstances it will not be necessary for me to sign and return the plan letter which you have sent me. I desire, of course, to continue payment up until the end of my lease on my present plan.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-6-31

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 12, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

May I help you to send me the exact specifications of changes in my two apartments at your earliest convenience? As I have said before, I wish to submit these specifications to contractors.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-6-32

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ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

April 13, 1935

Doctor W. E. B. Du Bois
Box 356
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Doctor Du Bois:

In response to your communication of April 10, I am writing to say that it is entirely agreeable to us for your lease to be cancelled July 31, 1935 since that is more convenient to you.

However, it is necessary for you to file the plan letter so as to give our accounting department proper support for its procedure in regard to your account.

We understand that when you vacate July 31, the arrears in your account will be cleared up.

With heartfelt personal good wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

Resident Manager

RCB/h

14-6-33

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 3, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS, Inc.
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I find that I have forgotten to file the current Plan Letter. It is enclosed filled out.

May I ask you for a third time for a copy of the plans and specifications for changes in my apartment when I move?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

14-6-34

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ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
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ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

May 6, 1935

Doctor W. E. B. DuBois
Box 356
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor:

I hasten to acknowledge and to thank you for your communication of May 3.

You enclosed one copy of the current plan letter when two are necessary, one being kept by our Corporation and the other turned over to you for your protection. Accordingly we send herewith a second copy filled out for you like the first except for your signature which I trust you will be so good as to append; then, return the copy to us.

I note your request for the specifications covering the changes in your apartment when you vacate. I must apologize for the delay but it has really been unavoidable. When your first request came I put it at once in the hands of our Mr. Flood who personally prepares such specifications. He has not overlooked your request or the urgency thereof but he has been over-burdened with the reconstruction work which we are putting through in our buildings specially with the transformation of vacant six-room apartments into three-room apartments with all modern facilities. However, I shall speak to Mr. Flood again about this important matter.

Let me add that Mrs. DuBois said to me the other day that you will shortly be in the city. Of this I am very glad because it will give you an opportunity to go over the specifications in detail with Mr. Flood.

With sincere good wishes, I am as ever

Yours very truly,

Resident Manager

RCB/h

14-6-35

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 29, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

Mrs. Du Bois has been unable as yet to find new living quarters which suit her. We have, therefore, given up the idea of moving this summer and shall remain in our apartment until the end of the lease in December.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-6-36

Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

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2594 SEVENTH AVENUE

NEW YORK CITY

PHONE EDGECOMBE 4-3181

ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER.

June 13, 1935

Doctor W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor DuBois:

In accordance with your request, we have had our Mr. Roger W. Flood, Supervisor of Mechanics, prepare specifications covering alterations necessary in the present set-up of your apartment here as well as blueprints. The labor involved has been considerable. In fact, a charge of $50 for this work would certainly not be excessive. It is entirely separate and apart from Mr. Flood's regular work.

I am enclosing herewith two copies of the blueprint and two copies of the specifications.

With heartfelt personal good wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

Resident Manager

RCB/h

[ENCLOSURE]

Bruce

SPECIFICATIONS

FOR

ALTERATION

TO

PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS INC.
APARTMENTS ON 5TH FLOOR BUILDING NO. 2
STAIRWELL NO. 4

In Accordance with Plans Prepared for

THE PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS INC.

2594 Seventh Avenue, New York City

June 1, 1935

R. W. Flood

SPECIFICATIONS

FOR

ALTERATION

TO

PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS INC.
APARTMENTS ON 5TH FLOOR OF BUILDING NO. 2
STAIRWELL NO. 4

In Accordance with Plans Prepared for

THE PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS INC.

2594 Seventh Avenue, New York City

June 1, 1935

R. W. Flood

DEMOLITION

Remove all work indicated by dotted lines on plans, including all partitions and closets as shown also new openings. Remove all rubbish from premises without delay. On completion of demolition, all floors shall be left broom clean.

CARPENTRY WORK

Furnish and install studs as required and frame same for new partitions and openings; close up present openings and extend present partitions all as indicated on plan. All studs shall be free from knots, set 12" o.c. and securely braced, also include the following: Grounds for base, trim, backing and support for plumbing fixtures in new kitchen.

FINISHED CARPENTRY

Furnish and hang new doors and jambs as called for in plan, of design similar to present doors and re-use present doors where same are in good condition. Re-use old trim, base and picture mould only when same is in good condition. This contractor shall not use any trim or mould in series of short pieces or any that is split or thickly coated with paint. Where now trim, base or picture mould is used it shall be similar to present. Furnish and set in each closet, shelves, coat rod and hook strip, including hooks 8" o.c. furnish and install new jambs and trim at all openings marked t.o. on plan.

Furnish and install transoms over doors where marked F.L. on plan.

Furnish and install kitchen cabinets, dressers, broom closets, shelves etc. similar to design of those now existing in the property.

Furnish and install new dumbwaiter door where required on plan.

In general, this contractor shall, before submitting his bid, visit the premises, make himself familiar with existing conditions and shall include in his contract all required material and labor for repairs to all woodwork and to replace all damaged and defective woodwork in connection with trim, jambs, floors, saddles,

etc., and to leave all in good condition and made clean for the painter. He shall also familiarize himself with the provisions need for storing his materials and removing rubbish from the premises. Those items which must be handled with a minimum disturbance to the tenants now living in the building. This contractor shall also furnish and install all hardwares required for the job.

FLOORING

This Contractor shall remove all short sections of flooring between removed and new partitions and shall replace with new flooring of same material, quality and size as is now existing, tightly strained and blind-nailed and fitting snugly against present flooring in continuation of present strips and all floors shall be machine scraped on completion. Include all under-flooring that may be required. Furnish and set new beveled white oak saddles at all doors where required.

In closets repair flooring to fit snugly against flooring (similar quality) and scrape.

PLASTERING

This Contractor shall include all labor, material and appliances required to lath and plaster all partitions and openings to be closed up and new openings to be formed all as indicated by hatched lines on plan.

Where wall and ceilings have been damaged due to removal of partitions, where new openings are cut out, and where the present plaster is new, cracked or damaged, all shall be plastered so that new work matches and is flush with existing plastering, giving a smooth true plane surface.

All patching as well as new partitions shall be done with metal lath well tied into adjacent lath, all inner angles shall be formed with metal lath. Provide metal corner beads at all exterior angles. Fill in studs adjoining gas range in new kitchen with brick and cover with wire lath and plaster. All plastering shall be three coats including hard white finish.

All defective plastering shall be cut out and repaired without additional cost. This Contractor shall exercise sufficient care to avoid soiling or spattering plaster on existing work or on the work of other trades, using cover cloths or other means of protection. Contractor shall remove from the premises all rubbish and debris occasioned by this work. This Contractor shall familiarize himself with the provisions needed for storing his materials and removing rubbish from the premises.

ELECTRICAL WORK

The plans show the final location of all required outlets. The ceiling outlets where not centered, shall be as a consequence either replaced or extended to the new central locations in accordance with underwriter regulations. All switches, receptacles, and similar appliances shall be "Briant Electric Co." manufacture or approved equal.

CONDUITS

All work shall be with B.X. conduit.

OUTLET BOXES

Provide and set galvanized iron outlet boxes for every electrical outlet. Said boxes shall be of an approved design and suitable in every respect to location, the kind of fixture to be used, arrangement of circuit, etc., in connection herewith.

FIXTURE SUPPORTS

Provide and install at each new lighting fixture outlet an approved fixture support. This Contractor shall supply all new fixtures, fixture shall be similar in design to present fixtures.

Contractor will note that the kitchen ceiling outlet shall be a complete and separate circuit as the ceiling fixture in kitchen shall have power connection for electric iron.

METER BOARD AND PAN

This Contractor shall provide, at a place where directed in cellar, meter board and pan to accommodate the meter for the new apartment, with all necessary fuse cutouts. The present meter shall be hooked up to completed and unified lighting system for the remaining apartment.

BELL SYSTEM

Furnish and install all bell wiring, necessary for two separate apartments.

Each apartment shall have a separate and complete, doorbell wiring to ring each apartment from the main vestibule, at each apartment a flush push button to ring entrance bell, an approved type electric door opener, an approved type dumbwaiter buzzer and in cellar a push button at the dumbwaiter. All bell conduit shall be flexible Greenfield. All bells and buzzers shall be mounted on a wood mat.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Electrical Contractor shall procure all necessary permits in connection with his work and shall pay all fees for same. He shall complete all work in accordance with all Ordinances, Regulations or other Laws, as well as the rules of New York Board of Fire Underwriters, Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, and all other bodies having jurisdiction. He shall submit Certificate of Inspection showing approval of all work.

PLUMBING

Fixtures will be furnished by owner Ltd.

~~Furnish and~~ install all kitchen fixtures as shown on plans. The kitchen sink and tubs shall be enameled iron of proper size with protective splash aprons.

The stoves now existing in the property may not be obtainable by the Contractor. In that event, the Contractor shall before submitting his bid, submit sample cuts to the owner for approval. All exposed fittings shall be finished in chromium plating.

All new plumbing in kitchen shall be connected to existing waste and vent lines and the Contractor shall do all necessary cutting.

All water risers shall be provided with shut-off valves at the supply for each fixture.

Provide new gas outlets for connecting gas range in kitchen.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The work performed under this contract shall conform to all rules, Laws and Regulations of the Building Department, Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity. And all other bodies having jurisdiction, this Contractor shall secure at his expense all necessary permits and certificates for approval for all required tests. He shall submit certificates of inspection showing approval of all work.

PAINTING AND DECORATING

This Contractor shall furnish all labor and material and everything required for painting and decorating of the two apartments.

WORK INCLUDED

All rooms, foyers, halls, closets, baths.

Finishing of wood floors.

Finishing of all radiators and heat risers.

PREPARATION OF SURFACES

Fill up all nail holes, cracks, and other defects in woodwork, and where woodwork joins plaster surfaces. Sandpaper all coatings on radiators and steam pipe risers. Remove all old kalsomine from ceilings and closet walls.

All new plastered surfaces, patches in old walls included, that are to be painted under this contract shall be given a 25 per cent solution of sulphate of zince in water and then dusted off after thoroughly dry and then primed with one coat of Berry Brothers Lionoil.

Rub smoothly after each coat of paint as directed using sandpaper to remove roughness. This includes priming and other coats on all finish.

BATHS AND KITCHENS

Paint walls and ceilings one (1) coat Debevoise enamel undercoating and one (1) coat Debevoise eggshell enamel, colours selected by owner.

ALL ROOMS AND SPACES IN THE APARTMENT

Ceilings shall be Murescoed.

Walls to be given two (2) coats lead and oil paint in colours selected by owner and final coat stippled.

All woodwork shall be enameled two (2) coats of enamel undercoat and one (1) coat of enamel in colours selected by owner, using Debevoise gloss enamel.

Paint windows to match surrounding finish.

Paint all woodwork in closets similar to woodwork specified for other woodwork.

RADIATORS AND STEAM RISERS

Paint radiators and exposed steam piping one (1) coat of 50 per cent aluminum paint, and 50 per cent gilt.

FINISHING OF FLOORS

Machine scrape all wood floors. Fill with Johnson's paste wood filler. Paint with two (2) coats white shellac, 50 per cent shellac, 50 per cent alcohol, steel wool the surface between coats. Finish with two (2) coats of Johnson's Paste wax buffing with a weighted brush.

[DUNBAR APTS.]

14-6-37

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 27th, 1935

Mr. Roscoe C. Bruce
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I thank you very much for your copy of the specifications covering alterations necessary in my apartments.

I appreciate very much the careful work of Mr. Flood, but of course, there can be no question of any charge. I asked you to furnish specifications necessary to my knowledge of my obligations and you have kindly furnished them. But I did not undertake to pay for these and if you had had any charge in mind you should have mentioned it.

I shall certainly not pay the Fifty ($50.00) Dollars that you mention.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBDuB/s

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

14-6-28

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

Mr. Rosco C. Bruce
Resident Manager
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments
2894 Seventh Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I have been going over the specifications for restoring the apartments which I occupy and I want to bring two things to your attention:

First: Page 6 - with regard to plumbing. You have probably forgotten that the sink, tubs and stove were not delivered to us when we took possession of apartment 5C. I assume therefore that you mean that I shall restore the plumbing, etc. for the installation of the tubs, sink and stove.

Secondly: Page 7 - with regard to preservation of surfaces. You require that the walls be given two coats of lead and oil paint in selected colors and the final coat stipled. May I say that only the living rooms were stipled when we moved in and also when we had the apartment done over. The walls of the bedrooms were not stipled.

Do you mean that in spite of this we are to have those walls stipled? Also do you require two coats of paint whether or not the walls need it. Of course, I realize that that would be a final matter of your judgment and yet, as you know, the walls in our apartments are in unusually good condition as they were done over a few years ago at great expense to us. I should suppose that you would be satisfied if the walls were left in first-class condition in the color which you wished and the living room stipled. Nevertheless, I shall be glad to have your judgment regarding this.

Very sincerely yours,

s/ W. E. B. DuBois

[SEPT. 10, 1935]

14-6-26

MEMORANDUM TO MR. BRUCE ON MY REMOVAL FROM
226 West 150 Street, Apartments 5 Jay and G.
to 210 West 150 Street, Apartment 3 A.

1. I wish to occupy Apartment 3A at 210 West 150 Street on a rental basis at $69.15 a month.

2. I wish to arrange as advantageous terms and time for removal as possible and suggest that my removal be as of October 1 and that by that time I have all my goods out of my four-room apartment and as much as possible out of the five-room apartment.

3. There will be due October 1 rent for September of $94.90 on my present apartment and rent in advance of $69.15 on the new apartment; a total of $164.05.

4. I am also under obligation to restore the two apartments now occupied to their original condition. For the changes in these apartments, I paid, as I remember, about $400, and also furnished at my own expense 2 French doors between the dining and living rooms and 3 other extra doors. I did not receive when the apartment was turned over to me, the original door between the kitchen and dining room in the four-room apartment and the stove, sink and kitchen cabinets. My present equity in the apartments amounts to something over $300, I believe. I consider Mr. Bruce's estimate of the cost of changing the apartment back to its original form as excessive. The amount which I paid for the changes was paid when prices were at a peak. Both labor and material are now less.

I should like, therefore, to have Mr. Bruce and the company make another careful estimate with a contractor on the spot as to the cost of proper restoration.

5. With regard to the new apartment, I should like to know what could be done in the following matters:

A. Re-painting and decorating throughout.
B. A new kitchen sink of the one-piece type.
C. A new stove.
D. As to awnings and screens. Our awnings in our present apartment are practically used up and probably will be of no further use. We need in the new apartment 5 awnings for narrow windows and 1 awning for the wide living room window. Our screens in the present apartment, I think, are in good condition. We have 1 full-length screen for the kitchen window and 2 full-length screens for bathroom windows. Two half screens for wide living room windows and 8 half-screens for the narrower windows, or 13 in all. Can these in part be re-fitted in the new apartment where we should need a full-length screen for the kitchen window, a full-length screen for the bathroom window, 1 wide half-screen and 6 narrow half-screens.

E. As to the floors. They would ordinarily be ~~straight~~ scraped and put in the best possible condition, but I should like to inquire what it would be the extra cost to me to have parquet floors in the living room and dining room? I am not sure I can afford this, but if I can, I know it will greatly please Mrs. Du Bois.

MEMORANDUM TO MR. BRUCE September 10, 1935

14-6-27

F. Could I have the French doors in my present apartment and 2 other doors which belong to me there removed from the present apartment and hung in the prospective apartment with the understanding that if they are re-hung, they will belong entirely to the corporation?

6. I want to arrange to make proper payments for all these things. The first payment to consist of the rental for the 2 apartments as noted above and such further cash payment as seems equitable and that after ded cting my equity, I want to arrange other payments either by cash or instalments until my total indebtedness is paid.

7. I should like to ask advice as to a reliable firm or persons who could undertake the chief part of this moving. I cannot be here on account of my work at Atlanta University and I want to make the work as easy as possible for Mrs. Du Bois. All furniture belonging to us will be removed from the cellars, but we shall use for packing unused goods a considerable number of trunks or cases with locks.

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

general outline by editors in
chief
Variations

Africa
Some Problems

- Concentration
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Persons in Early Thirties
  one Black 2 or 3 other general
  Editors
Office
Adults

PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS INC.
2594 SEVENTH AVENUE - - NEW YORK, N. Y.
EDGECOMBE 4-3181

September 13, 1935

Memorandum for Doctor DuBois:

Please be so good as to send us right away if at all possible the blue sheet which I placed in your hands for your consideration. Work in 3-A: 210 West 150th Street cannot begin until the blue sheet has been filled out and signed.

14-29-2

May I explain that we are not at liberty to furnish awnings instead of screens for your new apartment. We can, of course, furnish new screens and shall gladly do so.

In this connection may I make the personal suggestion that you give some consideration to the installation of venetian blinds. They are far preferable to awnings. I think we can get you a thirty percent discount.

Sincerely,

Resident Manager

RCB/h

September 16, 1935

Memorandum to: Mr. Bruce
From: Dr. Du Bois

1. Herewith are the leases signed and the blueprint.

2. Payments. On October 16 and on the 16th of each month thereafter, I shall pay you $69.15 monthly in advance for the rent of 216. Please send the bill for this to me at 210 West 150 Street.

   Beginning November 1, I shall pay the sums which I owe you on apartment 5 Jay, 226 West 150 Street. These sums will be: $94.90, rent for September, 1935; $47.45, rent for first half of October, 1935, plus $470.00 for restoration of nine-room to four and five-room apartments, plus the actual cost of redecoration. From this would be deducted the balance due from the down payment and the savings accumulation amounting to $764.30. Please keep the bill for this separate and send it at Atlanta University.

3. Floors. If the corporation will pay one-half the cost of the parquet floors, according to the enclosed memorandum, I shall be glad to pay the other half. If not, please scrape and finish the floors as you suggested.

4. The painting, stove, sink, etc., are satisfactory as you suggested.

5. Doors. I should like the French doors and the two other doors which are to be taken from my present apartment to be installed in 210 in such a way that they will all open outward from the living room.

6. Miscellaneous. There are in my present apartment a full set of screens with full-length screens for the kitchen and bathroom. There is also a full set of window shades in good condition and two special locks for the doors. I should be glad to turn all these things over to the corporation if they will make suitable allowance. I understand that in the new apartment you will furnish a full set of screens and shades. In addition to this, I should like a screen at the kitchen window and at the bathroomwindow to be full-length, and I should like a special lock for the front door. If there is extra cost for these things, I should be glad to pay it.

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures

14-6-01

14-6-29

Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER JR.
2594 SEVENTH AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY
PHONE EDGECOMBE 4-3181

ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

September 16, 1935

Dr. W. E. Burghardt DuBois
5-J: 226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

In partial response to your communication of September 16th, I beg to submit:

Our Corporation does not purchase screens; it manufactures them.

Window shades are furnished to every apartment when a new tenant takes possession. I think the window shades in your present apartment were furnished by the Corporation.

When a tenant instals a burglar-proof lock in his door, he is compelled to make a hole in the door. When he vacates the apartment, he is charged for repairing the door. But, it is cheaper to leave the lock where it is!

I am not overlooking the other items. Thus, contract for new Keil lock will shortly be forthcoming.

Sincerely,

Resident Manager

RCB:g

Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

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2594 SEVENTH AVENUE

NEW YORK CITY

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ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

October 2, 1935

14-6-02

Doctor W. E. Burghardt DuBois
3-A: 210 West 150th Street
New York City

My dear Doctor DuBois:

Your Rental Lease has been returned from the office of the President of the Corporation and is now ready to be placed in your hands.

Will you therefore call at our 2594 Seventh Avenue office in person in order to secure your copy of the document? In case, however, you find it inconvenient to do so, please let us know and we shall be pleased to send it to your apartment on any day and at any hour you suggest.

With sincere good wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

RCB

Resident Manager

RCB/h

October 8, 1935

Mr. Roscoe C. Bruce
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I hope it will be possible for you to arrange my payments of indebtedness as I suggested before leaving New York; namely,

(A) All matters concerning the rent of Apartment 3A, 210 West 150 Street, will be transacted through Mrs. Du Bois. She will pay the rent on the 16th of each month.

(B) All matters connected with my indebtedness for restoring the apartments at 5Jay and 5 G West 150 Street will be attended to at Atlanta. I should be glad if each month on the 1st of the month beginning November 1, you will send me a bill of the total indebtedness. I shall then remit immediately, at least one-tenth of the amount each month until the indebtedness is finally settled.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-6-03

Form 32
Revised

Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

ERECTED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, Jr.
2594 SEVENTH AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY
PHONE EDgecombe 4-3181

ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
Resident Manager

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
Assistant Resident Manager

CHARGE TERMINATION and FINAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF

DR. W. E. BURGHARDT DuBOIS (#130)
5G-J: 226 W. 150th Street
New York City

Dated as of 10/15/35

Lease Expired 1/31/36	EQUITY as of 10/15/35		$ 530.84
90-day Notice No	ARREARS as of 10/15/35	$ 157.86	
	Redecoration Normal	$ 180.00	
Stock Subscription $11,600.	Redecoration-Spec. Redecoration from a 9 to a 4 Room Apr. and 5 Room Apr.	$ 470.00	807.86
Statement Prepared by D. S. Fowlkes	TO BALANCE DUE FROM FORMER TENANT		277.02

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142.35
3.70
51235
180.00
692.35
530.84
161.51

RCB

Form 14 Rev.

PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS, Inc.
2594 Seventh Avenue, New York

(130)

DR. W. E. BURGHARDT DuBOIS
5G & 5J: 226 WEST 150TH ST.
NEW YORK CITY

14-6

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT	DATE DUE	CHARGES		MISC. CR.	MEMO	AMOUNT DUE
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			2			
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	OCT 11-35	(1) *42.14	8		(1) Oct 1-15, 1935	* 137.04
	OCT 11-35	(2) *20.82	9		(2) Bal Due Balance thru '35	* 157.86
		(3) 180.00	10		(3) Regular Redecoration	
	OCT 11-35	(4) 470.00	11		(4) Restoration per Estimate	* 807.86
			12			
	OCT 14-35	(5)	13	30.84	(5) Application of Equity	* 277.02
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IMPORTANT:

1. *Please present this Monthly Statement and your Receipt Book to the Cashier.*
2. *If you pay by mail be sure to enclose Receipt Book and this Monthly Statement. The Receipt Book will be returned to you at once by mail for your verification.*
3. *Payments made by mail should be addressed to*

CASHIER
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS, INC.
2594 SEVENTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

Cashier's Office Hours:
MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY,
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY ..... 9 A. M. TO 5 P. M.
SATURDAY ..... 9 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

Pay Last Amount Shown in This Column ⬆

(P=Prepaid or Credit Balance)

October 23, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
Paul Laurence Dunbar
Apartments, Inc.
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I have your memorandum of my indebtedness as of October 15, 1935. There are two things which I do not understand: there is a charge of $20.82 for interest due. Please explain this.

When you sent me your estimate of the cost of restoring the two apartments, I demurred at the charge of $470 as excessive and asked for plans and specifications so that I could get bids. When I spoke to you in New York you said that you had voluntarily reduced this charge by $100. I do not see any note of that on your memorandum.

I shall be glad to have an explanation of these two points.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

50-9-41

November 7, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
Paul Laurence Dunbar
Apartments, Inc.
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I am ready, as soon as I hear from you, to make a payment on the first installment on my indebtedness to the Dunbar Apartments; but, as I said before, I wish to know two things: one, what the interest charge is which appears upon the bill; secondly, why the deduction of $100 for the expense of restoring my apartments has not been made according to your categorical promise to me?

I shall be glad to hear from you by return mail.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Bruce —
Dunbar apts.

November 11, 1935

Mr. Frank S. Staley
Vice President
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments, Inc.
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

I have been a tenant of the Dunbar Apartments practically since its opening. In order to accommodate my family, I had two apartments on the fifth floor of 226 West 150 Street, Apartments "G" and "J". I had changes made in these apartments which cost about $400, for which I paid cash on the understanding that if I gave up the apartments, the apartments would be changed back to their original form.

I paid on the co-operative plan until the depression and then went on what was practically the rental plan drawing for a time my equity in the form of rent.

This year, I determined either to move out of the apartments or to move to a smaller apartment. When Mr. Bruce sent me notice of what the cost of restoration would be, he estimated it at $670. I protested since both material and work was less now than before when I had the changes made. I therefore asked for specifications and determined to have an outside contractor bid. When, however, I talked with Mr. Bruce this summer, I distinctly understood him to say that the cost would be $100 less than the original estimate and I said under these circumstances, I would accept. I, therefore, vacated the apartment and moved into 3A, 210 West 150 Street, where my family is now situated.

When the final counting came a few days ago, not only was the charge for restoration $670, but there was also an unexplained interest charge of over $20.

I am writing this for your information. I know perfectly well that there is no use of a poor man attempting to go to law against such a corporation as you represent, but I do not believe that the honest and philanthropic people who are back of the Dunbar Apartments wish to condone the deliberate unfairness and injustice and I, therefore, ask you to look into this matter and see if some equitable adjustment can not be made.

I am, sir,

Very respectfully yours

WEBD/DW

W. E. B. Du Bois

14-6-41

Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER JR.
2594 SEVENTH AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY
PHONE EDGECOMBE 4-3181

ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

80-9-41

November 13, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Your communication of November 11th to Vice President Frank S. Staley of Paul Laurence Dunbar Apts. Inc. has been referred to me for reply.

When you transformed the two apartments known as 5G and 5J at 226 W. 150th Street into one apartment, it was with the clear understanding as per Lease and Subscription Agreement that you would be responsible when you gave up the apartments, for the cost of changing them back into the original form.

At your request we went to some expense, for which we made no charge, to have specifications drawn up showing in detail the work necessary to change the apartments back into their original form. But, you decided for reasons of your own not to employ an outside contractor to do this work.

As the enclosed signed memoranda from our Supervisor of Mechanics, Mr. Roger W. Flood, show, his estimate for the transformation of the 9-room apartment back into one 4-room and one 5-room apartment was $570. This estimate was, as I explained to you when you were in the City of New York, reduced at my instance and request to $470 as it now stands.

Please bear in mind that it costs more in labor and material to build up a wall than to tear a wall down. If you will bear this principle in mind, you must agree that the cost for restoring the apartments to their original form is not unreasonable.

I enclose another copy of our cashier-bookkeeper's memorandum of November 9th. The first and second sentences of the last paragraph explain the procedure in setting up the interest charge to which your letter refers. All the figures which have been placed before you, issuing from this department, have been audited by the auditors of Mr. Rockefeller's office.

My associates and I have at all times sincerely endeavored to extend to you and the members of your family group every courtesy and consideration consistent with our instructions and duties as servants of the Corporation.

Very sincerely yours,

Roscoe Conkling Bruce

RCB:HT

[ENCLOSURE]

PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS INC.
2594 SEVENTH AVENUE - - NEW YORK, N. Y.
EDgecombe 4-3181

14-6-09

November 13, 1935

Memorandum for Mr. Bruce

In response to your inquiry, I beg to state that my original estimate to cover the restoration of Dr. DuBois' 9-room apartment to the original set up of one 4-room apartment and one 5-room apartment was $570.00.

This estimate was reduced at your instance and request to $470.00, as it now stands.

I hand you also herewith copy of my memorandum to you of February 18, 1935 covering the above.

Very truly yours,

Roger W. Flood

RWF/ht

(ENCLOSURE)

COPY

14-6-41

February 18, 1935

Memorandum for Mr. Bruce

I submit herewith a revised estimate for restoring the apartments: 5-G and 5-J at 226 west 150th Street to the original plans. These two apartments are now altered to one apartment.

The estimate for work includes the restoration of all partitions and equipment except the kitchen equipment, also additional painting necessary to change the colours to the standard colours.

For the sum of ..... $ 470.00

This above figure which is $100 less than the original estimate of $570.00 is based on your conversation with me in which you pointed out that the estimate should not include the cost for installing the kitchen equipment in apartment 5-G.

Very truly,

Roger N. Flood

Supervisor of Mechanics

Forwarded to Dr. DuBois in response to his enquiry of 7 Nov '35 RCB

[ENCLOSURE]

Bruce

November 9, 1935

To: Mr. Roscoe C. Bruce, Resident Manager

FROM: Wilbur F. Coleman, Bookkeeper-Cashier

SUBJECT: Final Statement of Account
Dr. W.E.B.DuBois
5GJ: 226 W 150th St
New York City

14-6-06

In answer to the first question of Dr. W.E.B.DuBois in his letter of November 7, 1935, may I submit:

(1) The figure of $94.90 monthly payment charged 11/1/32 effected the following monthly distribution:

38.26	Interest
54.99	Upkeep
1.65	Savings

(2) Dr. DuBois drew on his equity in the following amounts:

194.90	6/1/34
189.80	7/30/34
94.90	9/11
94.90	10/11
94.90	11/1
94.90	12/19

(3) The subscription balance in the account was increased by the exact amount of the withdrawals and the interest charges were necessarily higher than that of $38.26 monthly as cited above. In fact the monthly * savings item of $1.65 was entirely wiped out and the accumulated interest due item amounts to the $20.82 which Dr. DuBois questions.

We understood from Mrs. DuBois that Dr. DuBois will be in New York before the end of this month and we will be glad to support the above statements to the Doctor in person direct from our audited calculations.

* The practice of this department is to make charge of this accumulation of interest due as the time of final settlement. This we did. The redecoration charges of $180.00 and $470.00 were made at your instructions. The former at the rate of $20.00 per room and the latter upon due approval by you of the submitted estimate.

470
180
650

Respectfully submitted
Wilbur F. Coleman
Bookkeeper-Cashier

This was $100 less than Mr. Flood's original estimate.

14-9-11

November 14, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

Enclosed please find my check for $27.02 as first installment upon my alleged debt to the Dunbar Apartments. I have written Mr. Staley complaining of the gross injustice of this charge.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

FORM 23
(6M-8-35)

Request for Payment

PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS, Inc.

2594 Seventh Avenue, New York

	DATE	AMOUNT DUE	MEMO	ACCOUNT NO.
	11-22-35	27.02		138

Dr. W. E. Burghardt DuBois
~~563 326 W 150th Street~~ Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia
New York City

Nov 14 1935 - to $27.02

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IMPORTANT

Above is shown the amount due on your account as of the date shown.
Under the terms of the Lease you agreed to make each and every monthly payment in full on the date due.
As the terms of this Lease have not been met, the corporation is constrained to request that you attend to the item checked below, without fail, and at your earliest convenience.

1. ☐ Make a substantial payment at once.
2. ☐ Arrange with the Resident Manager to liquidate the above amount due.
3. ☐

Resident Manager

YOU MUST NOT DISREGARD THIS NOTICE. COMMUNICATE WITH THE RESIDENT MANAGER AT ONCE.

MADE BY ACME MANIFOLDING CO., INC., NEW YORK—U. S. PAT. ISSUED FEB. 14, 1933. NO. 1897038

Bruce — Dunbar Apts.

14-C-12

November 21, 1935

Mr. Roger H. Flood
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Flood:

Mr. Bruce sends me an alleged copy of your memorandum of February 18, 1935, saying that the estimate of $470 is $100 less than the original estimate at $570 "based on your conversation with me in which you pointed out that the estimate should not include the cost for installing the kitchen equipment in Apartment 56." I did not point this out to Mr. Bruce until June after I had seen your plans and specifications.

You must have forgotten, Mr. Flood, that in your plans and specifications you included the kitchen equipment and that those specifications were dated June 1 and signed by you; and it was not until July that you came to my house to say you had not known about the kitchen equipment and with your own hand changed the specifications so as to take out the necessity of furnishing the kitchen equipment. I assume that you have forgotten the circumstances.

Will you kindly bring it to Mr. Bruce's attention immediately with my demand for the subtraction of $100 from the estimate?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DN

Bruce —
Dunbar Apartments

41-9-14

November 21, 1935

Mr. Frank S. Staley
Vice President
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments, Inc.
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Staley:

Mr. Bruce has answered my letter to you and has made a misstatement of facts.

He says that Mr. Flood's estimate of $470 to restore my apartment was $100 less than his original estimate, and that this deduction was made because the kitchen equipment in 5G was not to be furnished by me as it had not been given me in the first place.

I am calling Mr. Bruce's attention to the fact that it was not until June that Mr. Flood gave me the specifications and that in those specifications the kitchen equipment was included, and that the cost was estimated at $470.

If, therefore, I was to be allowed $100 for this kitchen equipment, that ought to be taken from the $470.

I am writing to request that you give this matter your personal attention.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Enclosure 1.

14-6-13

(21)

November 21, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

Your explanation of November 13 is patently untrue.

On February 18, 1935, you gave me the estimate of $470 to restore my apartments, 5G and 5J, 226 West 150 Street, to their original condition. On March 11, I complained of this charge showing that the cost of these changes was only $396 in 1927 when all costs were higher. Moreover, it was not until June 27 that I received the plans and specifications for the changes, and these plans and specifications included the cost of installing the kitchen equipment. I called Mr. Flood's attention to this and yours, and Mr. Flood in July put on the plans the changes showing that the kitchen equipment was not to be furnished and said that he did not know this when the plans were made in June. If he did not know it in June, how could he have known it in February? And you yourself said you did not know that my kitchen was unfurnished until I told you in June. If you estimate, therefore, this kitchen equipment at $100, that $100 ought to be deducted from your own estimate of February 18, 1935.

The copy of Mr. Flood's letter of February 13 is manifestly untrue as he did not know at that time by his own remarks to me that there was any deduction to be made for the kitchen equipment.

I am writing Mr. Flood by this mail and sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Staley.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-6-16

30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York

Room 5600

November 23rd, 1935.

Dear Mr. Du Bois,

I received your letter of November 21st and I am referring it to Mr. Bruce for his attention.

Very truly yours,

Francis A. Haley

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

14-6-15

Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

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NEW YORK CITY
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ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

November 23, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Altanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor DuBois:

Permit me to respond to your recent letters to Mr. Flood, Vice President Staley, and me.

I repeat (1) that Mr. Flood's original estimate for restoring apartments 5G and J at 226 West 150th Street to one 4-room and one 5-room apartment was $570; (2) that for what I deemed good and sufficient reason this was reduced to $470; and (3) that there is, so far as I am aware, no sound reason for reducing the figure below $470.

If your personal recollections do not happen to tally with the facts, I am very sorry; but, the fault is certainly not that of any representative of Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

Sincerely,

Roscoe Conkling Bruce
Resident Manager

RCB:HT

14-6-17

Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

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NEW YORK CITY
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ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

November 25, 1935

Doctor W. E. Burghardt DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor DuBois:

In response to your letter of November 21, Mr. Bruce informs me that he has received a copy of that communication and is making the necessary reply.

Yours very truly,

Roger R. Flood

Supervisor of Mechanics

RF/h

14-6-19

December 2, 1935

Mr. R. C. Bruce
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I have received your letter of November 23. You now say that the charge for restoring my apartments was reduced from $570 to $470 in February, 1935, "for good and sufficient reason."

Very well. In June, you learned from me that the cost of restoring would be less because kitchen equipment was to be furnished at your expense and not at mine. May I ask what reduction you have made for this item?

I had on my apartment at 226 West 150 Street, two special locks for which I paid you about $9.00. When I asked to have one of these locks removed to the door at 210 West 150 Street, Apartment 3A., you explained that this would leave a hole in the door and it would cost as much to repair that hole as it would to buy a new lock. I, therefore, on September 18, sent you my check on the Dunbar National Bank, Number 496-7, for $4.50, to have the lock put on the door of my new apartment. There was a hole in the door ready for the lock. Nevertheless that hole was carefully filled up and painted over and no lock has been yet attached.

I would be glad to learn the nature of your excuse for this misuse of my money. The check which I gave you was paid September 19 and I have the return voucher in my possession.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

File: Bruce

14-6-18

December 2, 1935

Mr. Roger W. Flood
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments, Inc.
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Flood:

I have your letter of November 25 which of course explains nothing. The necessary reply to that letter should come from you and not from Mr. Bruce. Mr. Bruce said that you first made the estimate of $570 for restoring the apartments. He then says that you amended that estimate. First, he asserted that you amended it because of the kitchen equipment. He now says that you amended it for "good and sufficient reasons."

Very well, it was amended in February 18, 1935. I write to ask you again categorically: why is it that it was not again amended when you learned that kitchen equipment was not to be furnished in the restoration?

I am sending a copy of this to Mr. Staley and I want to assure you that I am going to follow this up until I get a satisfactory answer from you and Mr. Bruce.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[DUNBAR APTS.]
File - Bruce

14-6-20

December 2, 1935

Mr. Frank S. Staley
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

I'm sorry to keep troubling you about my financial relations with the Dunbar Apartments, nevertheless, I insist that it is a matter that demands your attention or the attention of persons higher in authority if you are not willing to give it notice.

I am sending you the last letter which I have just written to Mr. Bruce.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DN
Enclosure 1.

14-6-21

Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments Inc.

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER JR.

2594 SEVENTH AVENUE

NEW YORK CITY

PHONE EDGECOMBE 4-3181

ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
RESIDENT MANAGER

CLARA BURRILL BRUCE
ASSISTANT RESIDENT MANAGER

December 5, 1935

Doctor W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Doctor DuBois:

Your communication of December 2, received and duly noted.

Of ecurse, the reduction of $100 in the original estimate of our Mr. Flood fully covered the matter of kitchen equipment to which you refer. This reduction was ordered by me before you said a word about the kitchen equipment and was therefore due to no information received from you.

Your reference to the installation of a burglar proof lock upon 3-A: 210 West 150th Street, I took up immediately with our Mr. McCracken. Under date of December 4, he submits the following memorandum:

> "Have this day inspected Apartment 5-G and 5-J: 226 West 150th Street, formerly occupied by Doctor DuBois and find the extra locks originally installed on the entrance doors of the above apartments in tact. May I further state that an inspection shows that our locksmith, Mr. Odom, installed a Kiel lock on the entrance door of Apartment 3-A: 210 West 150th Street, occupied by Doctor DuBois."

However, our contract with you was to instal this lock"on or before October 16." Through some misunderstanding, our Mr. Flood did not receive the order from Mr. McCracken until December 4, Mr. Flood then having the lock installed immediately. Since, then, we did not instal this lock on or before October 16, as per contract, we are not charging you one penny; in other words, the $4.50 you paid on account of that contract is being credited to your account as tenant of 3-A: 210 West 150th Street.

Very truly yours,

Resident Manager

RCB/h

14-6-22

December 10, 1935

Mr. Roger W. Flood
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments, Inc.
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Flood:

I do not want to involve you in the misrepresentation that is going on concerning the cost of restoring my former apartments. Mr. Bruce has sent me an alleged copy of your estimate of February 18, 1935, in which there is the following paragraph:

> "This above figure which is $100 less than the original estimate of $570.00 is based on your conversation with me in which you pointed out that the estimate should not include the cost for installing the kitchen equipment in apartment 5-G."

You know that this is false because I have in my possession your specifications of June 1 in which you include the kitchen furnishings among the matters that I am required to do and I also have on those specifications dated June 1, your handwriting of July in which you made the changes showing that I was not to supply these kitchen furnishings.

These two statements are as you know perfectly well absolutely contradictory and you have made them doubtless at the demand of Mr. Bruce.

I write to ask you as an honest man to tell the exact truth about this matter.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

(DUNBAR HPTS.)

14-6-23

December 10, 1935

Mr. Frank S. Staley
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Staley:

I have received the letter from Mr. Bruce dated December 9, and countersigned, I believe, with your initials.

May I call your attention to the following fact: I have in my possession a document entitled: "Specifications for Alteration to Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments, Inc., Apartments on 5th Floor of Building No. 2, Stairwell No. 4." It is dated June 1, 1935, and was prepared by R. W. Flood. On page 6 of those specifications, under "plumbing", there are the following provisions:

> "Install all kitchen fixtures as shown on plans. The kitchen sink and tubs shall be enameled iron of proper size with protective splash aprons.
>
> "The stoves now existing in the property may not be obtainable by the Contractor. In that event, the Contractor shall before submitting his bid, submit sample cuts to the owner for approval. All exposed fittings shall be finished in chromium plating.
>
> "All new plumbing in kitchen shall be connected to existing waste and vent lines and the Contractor shall do all necessary cutting.
>
> "All water risers shall be provided with shut-off valves at the supply for each fixture.
>
> "Provide new gas outlets for connecting gas range in kitchen."

This document was sent at my request so that I could have a contractor bid on the alterations required. When I read them, I called the attention of Mr. Bruce to the fact that the section on plumbing was wrong; that when the apartment was turned over to me there were no kitchen fixtures in it. This was in July. Mr. Bruce said that he did not know of this and that it was a mistake to include them in the specifications and that he would send Mr. Flood to me to make the alterations. Mr. Flood came to my apartments in July and made alterations by pen, to read: "Fixtures will be furnished by owner."

The above document is in my hands. Despite this, Mr. Bruce and

14-6-24

Mr. Frank S. Staley

Mr. Flood now assert that they knew February 18, three and one-half months before these specifications were made, that I was not to furnish the kitchen fixtures and that they had for this reason made a reduction of $100 from this charge.

I submit that the document which I have in my possession and the statements made by Messrs Bruce and Flood are prima facie evidence of falsehood; and I again ask for a complete investigation of these facts.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Bruce.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/tw

14-6-25

30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York

Room 5600

December 11, 1935.

Dear Mr. Du Bois:

We acknowledge receipt of your communication of December 2nd, 1935, together with copies of your letters to Mr. Bruce and Mr. Flood.

Regarding your inquiry on a further reduction of the charges made for redecoration and restoration of the premises - 5G and 5J, 226 West 150th Street, formerly occupied by you, we wish to explain that upon investigation we have found that the original reduction from an estimated figure of $570. to one of $470., made you in February, 1935, to be one and the same as requested by you in June, 1935. In other words the reduction of $100. represented the elimination of kitchen equipment from the specifications and was the only reduction ever made.

The work of restoring Apartments 5G and 5J has now been completed and the final figure of actual costs of materials and labor is $648.91. Since you were charged $650. for an estimated cost, we will now credit your old account for the difference or $1.09.

Regarding the item of $4.50 paid by you for installation of a lock on the entrance door of your present apartment, 3A - 210 West 150th Street, we wish to express regret for the oversight in not making the installation. We are, therefore, assuming responsibility for the delay and have ordered that no charge be made for the lock. Mr. Coleman will place a credit of $4.50 to your new apartment.

We trust this makes satisfactory reply to your letter.

Yours very truly,

PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR APARTMENTS, INC.

By Frank A. Stanley
Vice President

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlants, Georgia.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 15, 1935

The DUNBAR NATIONAL BANK
2824-8th Avenue
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

In going over my December vouchers, I do not find a deposit of ($48.15) Forty-Eight Dollars and Fifteen Cents, in the form of a check drawn by the Rosenwald Fund in Chicago in my favor. The check was mailed to Mrs. Du Bois December 14, and she wrote me December 17 that she would deposit it. I am pretty sure she did but I am writing her to see. Meantime, will you kindly look up the matter.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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January 17, 1935.

14-29-7

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 15th instant regarding deposit of $48.15, we wish to advise that under date of January 2, 1935, we credited your account with $48.15, which is evidently the item referred to.

Yours very truly,

A W Eichenberger

AWE:CB

Vice President and Cashier.

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 31, 1935

The Dunbar National Bank
2824 Eighth Avenue at 150 Street
New York, New York

11-29-8

Gentlemen:

Will you kindly send me forms for income tax return for a net income under $5,000. I shall be much obliged.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 12, 1935

DUNBAR NATIONAL BANK
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

12-29-8

Gentlemen:

Will you please send me a blank form for the New York State income tax for a person with a net income of less than $5,000.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 10, 1935

The Manager of the
DUNBAR NATIONAL BANK
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

Sir:

My check, Number 130, dated December 17, 1934, in favor of Rachel Davis Du Bois, for the sum of $5.85, has apparently been lost. Will you kindly stop payment upon it.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-29

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 24, 1935

Manager of the
DUNBAR BANK
2594 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

14-29

My dear Sir:

I have just begun my last check book, and I am enclosing an order for others. When they are finished, please hold them for me at the bank, and I will call for them in person.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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May 8, 1935.

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois,
226 West 150th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Your check books have been received and will be delivered to you when you find it convenient to call at the 150th Street office for same.

Yours very truly,

A. W. Thien

Vice President

RB.

I have gotten the check books & will keep them until you come unless you need them.
We are all well.
With love. Nina

December 18, 1935

Dunhill's
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New York, New York

Gentlemen:

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Enclosed is my check for ($2.50) Two Dollars and Fifty Cents. If there is any charge for transport, kindly let me know.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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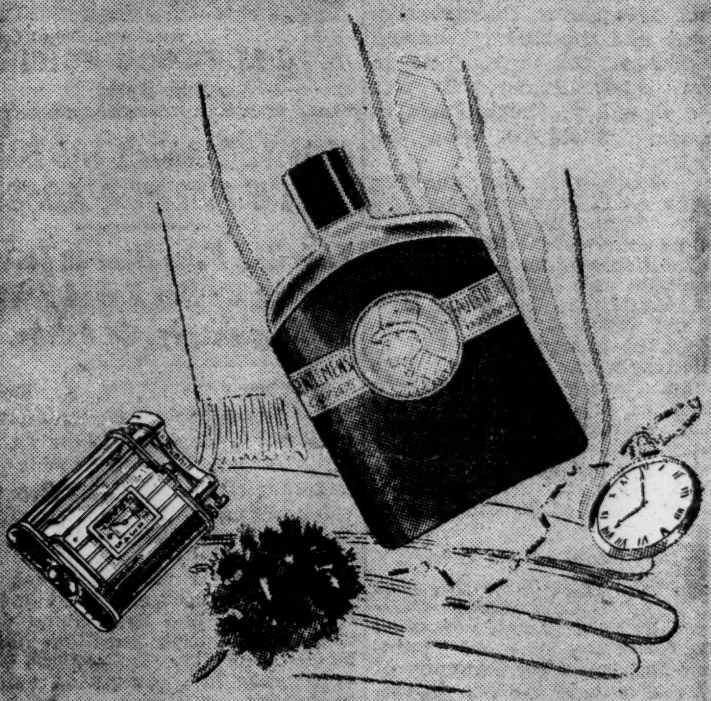

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Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Your letter to me concerning the proposed Negro Encyclopaedia has unfortunately been mislaid. If I remember correctly, you asked whether I thought the time was ripe for the publication of a Negro Encyclopaedia, and whether I would be willing to contribute to such a work. I think you also asked me to make any suggestions concerning the content of such a work.

I believe that an able encyclopaedia about the Negro would promote better relationships between the Negro and other groups. I am willing to do what I can to make the work a success. Some time ago

10-28-34

I consulted the Jewish Encyclopaedia in the Congressional Library. Using this as a basis, I jotted down rather hazardly the items listed on the enclosed sheet. Some of these may be worth while for the purpose you have in mind.

With best wishes for success, I am

Yours very truly,

Edw. B. Dyer

N.B. Your letter was forwarded to me from Miner Teachers College. I am located at Howard University

E.B.D.

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[ENCLOSURE] 1

14-23-02

Anti-Negro Legislation
Archaeological Discoveries pertinent to the Negro
Architecture
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Attitude of the Church toward the Negro

Benefactors of the Negro
Biblical Characters
Births and Deaths
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Communism and the Negro
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Denominations
    Independent
    Connected with whites
Distinguished Personages
    Actors
    Artists - painters and sculptors
    Engineers
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        Violinists
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    Scholars
    Soldiers
    Statesmen
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    Theologians
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Documents having special significance with regard to Negroes and their history: such as decrees, edicts, proclamations, etc.
(U. S. History)

Education
    Elementary schools
    Academies
    High Schools
    Colleges and Universities
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    School Population

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Fraternities
Historical geography of countries intimately connected with Negro history

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Historical Places of Interest to the Negro in the United States
History of the Negro in Various Foreign Countries

Important Days of Interest to Negroes (holidays, etc.)
Industry
Journalism (The white press and the Negro)

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    States with no lynchings
    States with more white than colored
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Map showing present geographical distribution of Negroes in the
    United States
Movements on part of Negro to foster independence (complete) - organizations, etc. etc.
Music -
    Jazz?
    Spiritual
    Contribution of Negro to Music
    Exploitation of Negro Motifs by White Composers

Negroes having held and holding offices in federal government and
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    (Negro Candidates for president)
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Part played by the Negro in early and later social and economic
    history of America
Periodical Literature of the Negro
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Physicians on Staffs of White Hospitals
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    (Expenditures)
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Treatment of Negro in
Russian Literature
English Literature
French Literature, etc.

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14-23-04

12 BRIGHT STREET

NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr DuBois:

I have been an admiring reader of yours for many years, and believe we have at least two things in common. I was born and lived for twenty years on a farm near Great Barrington-- so we both know dear old Berkshire. And I have for most of my life been a sympathetic student of race relations, for at the age of twenty I went to Hampton to teach Indians under General Armstrong.

14-25-67

I read your " Black Reconstruction" not long ago and am moved to observe that Gen. Armstrong and many others believed the Indian Bureau a great mistake and were glad the Negroes did not duplicate it.

Perhaps you will be interested in my latest book: "Pratt: The Red Man's Moses. " There is a chapter on Hampton and numerous references to that other dark race-the Negro. Ought not Atlanta to have the book in its library ?

Because of our Berkshire associations, you may also be interested in my New England novel--though that is really more of a woman's book.

Yours sincerely,

Elaine Goodale Eastman.

Nov 4. 35

[ENCLOSURE]

PRATT

THE RED MAN'S MOSES

14-25

founder of Carlisle

Elaine Goodale Eastman

THE BOOK

IT MAY be said with considerable truth that the modern phase of Indian administration in America revolves about the career of Richard Henry Pratt, the founder of Carlisle Indian School. As an army officer, Pratt was not in a position to make government policy, but as the possessor of a great idea he influenced policy as few men have been able to do in the last fifty years. Even today the lines are tightly drawn between those who adopt Pratt's plan of assimilating the Indian into American civilization and those who would retain the older tribal form of life.

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ELAINE GOODALE EASTMAN'S interest in Indian life and education began in 1883, when she became a member of the faculty in the Indian department of Hampton Institute, Virginia. She later organized a successful community day school for the Sioux in Dakota Territory, served as the first supervisor of Indian education for the United States in 1890, and with Dr. Charles A. Eastman, whom she married in 1891, taught at Carlisle Indian School. She is the author of several works of fiction, a book of poetry, and books dealing with the American Indian. Mrs. Eastman's home is at Northampton, Massachusetts.

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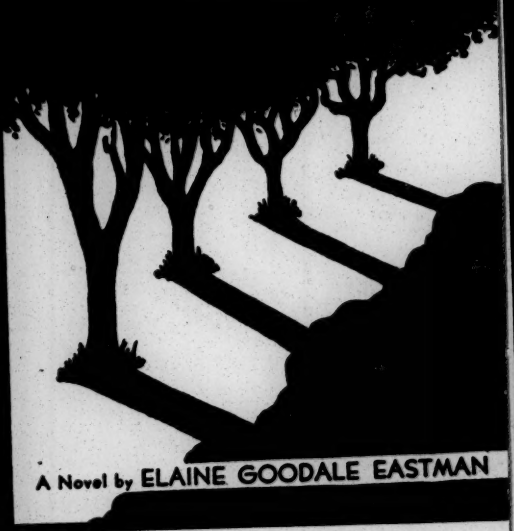

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November 8, 1935

Mrs. Elaine Goodale Eastman
12 Bright Street
Northampton, Massachusetts

14-25-68

My dear Mrs. Eastman:

I thank you very much for your kind words and congratulate you upon your bravery in wading through "Black Reconstruction".

I remember the name of your family, Goodale, very well and I knew Mr. Eastman. I shall hope to read your books sometime.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DE

Hampton Institute,
Hampton, Virginia,
February 25, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

I am planning to make a collection of poems. The following poems as they appeared in the "Brownies Book", are the types I would like to include.

"Runaway Kite, The"..Jessie Fausett....May, 1920
"Singing Top, The"...Jessie Fausett....May, 1920
"Teasing Hoop, The"..Jessie Fausett....May, 1920

"Funny Bunnies".....Annette C. Browne..July, 1921

"Idle Hours".....Lillian B. Witten..March, 1920

Therefore I am kindly asking your permission to include these poems in this book for publication. Kindly inform me as to your copyright restrictions in securing such permissions.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Bessie B. Emanuel.

14-10-16

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 27, 1935

14-10-17

Miss Bessie B. Emanuel
HAMPTON INSTITUTE
Hampton, Virginia

My dear Madam:

So far as the Brownies Book is concerned, you have my permission to use the poems which you mention. You must, however, in addition to that, get the permission of the authors.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Hampton Institute
Hampton, Virginia
March 7, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

Your letter was received and I wish to thank you for granting the permission to use the poems mentioned in my letter to you.

I wrote to Mrs. Jessie Fausett Harris and she very kindly gave permission to use her poems. I cannot seem to locate either Miss Annette C. Browne or Miss Lillian B. Witten. I would like permission also to use "God's Masterpiece" by Miss Ethel Caution as it appeared in the "Brownies Book", May, 1921. Kindly advise me as to how best I may secure the addresses of these persons or how I may get in touch with them.

61-01-41

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Bessie B. Emanuel.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-24-28

January 10, 1935

Dr. Victor Robinson
ENCYCLOPEDIA SEXUALIS
12 Mt. Morris Park West
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

In accordance with your letters of October 25, November 7 and December 7, I am enclosing an article on "Miscegenation" which I hope you will find suitable for your Encyclopedia. I should be glad to make any such changes as you may suggest within the general thesis of my article.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

A Comprehensive Encyclopaedic Dictionary of The Sexual Sciences

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

This is to acknowledge, with thanks, your manuscript which has recently been received. Check and letter from the editor will follow within a few days.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Robinson

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

Many thanks for your contribution to the Encyclopaedia Sexualis. Check is enclosed, and galley proof will be sent you in due course for correction. I appreciate deeply your most valued cooperation.

With best wishes and esteem,

Sincerely yours,

Victor Robinson

Victor Robinson, M.D.

VR:BB

15-12-51

[ETHIOPIA]

IMPERIAL ETHIOPIAN LEGATION

LONDON

c

August 7th, 1935

To the Friends of Ethiopia in the
United States of America

Greeting:-

I have this day received Dr. Willis N. Huggins in official interview and listened carefully to his statement of aims and plans initiated in America for the benefit of Ethiopia.

While we do not necessarily seek sporadic collections indiscriminately made, yet we do most ardently desire a public loan which should be arranged by responsible business men and managed through a reputable banking house.

We welcome medical supplies, nurses, doctors, veternarians, industrial and technical men to come to us. However we desire that those who will come will also become a part of us in building the Ethiopia of the future. It is also desirable that an independent Red Cross of colored people act with other groups for us.

Dr. Huggins has my full approval to proceed in the organization of such activities in connection with committees which may be arranged.

Your efforts will be recognized officially from our London office.

Yours for Service

signed:- W. MARTIN

Ethiopian Minister to The Court of St. James
London, England.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 5, 1935

Mrs. Eva Knox Evans
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mrs. Evans:

I have just read "Araminta". It is an enthralling tale, and calls for all sorts of sequels and parallels. Your technique is really excellent. My grandchild shall read "Araminta"! Of course, your subtle propaganda did not escape me; you are silently pretending that these little folk are just like others! The very idea! The publishers will get protests on that point.

14-26-1

The drawings are not as bad as I expected, but I didn't expect much. They are really pretty good. The real difficulty with them has just occurred to me, and that is, you can't get soft, smooth color with line drawing. The line roughens the face but that is a general criticism and not specific.

In the next books, you must consult very carefully with illustrators and see what sort of half-tones or wash drawings could be done. There used to be the same difficulty about colored peoples' photographs until the photographers learned to soften the light, or something or other.

I am away talking Saturday and Sunday, but next week I shall hope to talk to you about "Araminta" and other things.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 7, 1935

Mrs. Eva Knox Evans
HOTEL CANDLER
Decatur, Georgia

14-26-4

My dear Mrs. Evans:

Here I had been thinking that the TIMES and CONSTITUTION reviews had struck in and induced an acute attack of snootiness.

Now I learn that you have been playing around the rim of the Valley of the Shadow. I am deeply contrite and hope you will be back with us soon.

The campus misses you!

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 18, 1935.

Dear Dr. DuBois,

I didn't have to be told that your note was a nice one. I knew it the minute I read it. Thank you so much for missing me.

14-26-5

I won't get snooty over good reviews. I've always known that Aranuta is the best story for children ever written! (But did you see Mrs. Becker's comments in last Sunday's Herald Tribune? I'm buying a new hat.)

If the campus seems somewhat brighter on Monday, it will be because I am holding forth again in the Kindergarten. I'm quite all right now, except that I can't climb steps or drive a car, which cramps my style some.

When is your book coming out?

Ever sincerely,
Eva Knox Evans.

3614 Newark St. N.W.
Washington, D.C.
June 30, 1935.

Dear Dr. DuBois,

Perhaps you've seen these, and if not, perhaps you don't want to, but nevertheless, here they are. I haven't seen the book yet, but I'm going to read it - all seven hundred and forty-six pages. Then I'll tell you what I think.

Ever yours,

E. K. Evans

14-25-48

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

14-26-10

Mrs. Eva Knox Evans
3614 Newark Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Evans:

Thank you for the clippings which I had not seen.

I shall be distraught until I have that withheld opinion.

I received your kind message through Dr. Alexander and was thrilled.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

Swarthmore College
Swarthmore, Penn.
July 24, 1935.

Dear Dr. DuBois,

I am enclosing a letter which I received this morning from Dr. Hope, and am presuming again to involve you a little in my affairs.

I am quite puzzled by his letter. I feel that instead of merely reducing my salary to balance the budget, he is gently telling me to get out. I am not particularly concerned about the loss of the two hundred from my income, but I don't at all like the tone of his letter, and I am at a loss to know whether I should resign or not.

14-26-12

Would it be convenient for me to call you on the phone about ten tomorrow night, so that I might talk to you about it? Of course, you must not alter any of your plans in order to be there for the call. I must come to some decision quickly in order to be looking for other jobs, and I need advice terribly.

With sincere affection,

Eva Evans

[ENCLOSURE]

COPY ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

July 17, 1935

Dear Mrs. Evans,

In studying our budget for next year, it is obvious that we must revise our expenses in some departments. This is always a difficult thing to do, but we make every effort to deal fairly and justly and as generously as possible with every case. I had hoped to be able to talk with you this month, but found out that you are in Washington.

When you were appointed to the staff of the Oglethorpe School as the kindergarten teacher, you received, I believe, a salary which was about equivalent to the salary you were receiving in the public schools. That salary has been maintained although on two occasions all the teachers were asked to contribute to the budget for a short period of time. I am sorry to say that it will not be possible for us to pay so much for the kindergarten teacher from this time on, and I can offer you reappointment for the coming year only if you will be willing to accept the position at a salary of _____ ($200 less. E.) It will necessary again in our reappointments for next year to have the understanding that if necessary a ten per cent reduction will be accepted. I need not tell you, I am sure, that we shall not ask the faculty for this contribution unless it is necessary.

14-26-11

In earnest of my attitude in that matter, I enclose the University's check for the amount of the last two payments deducted from you salary. When I informed you in my letter last January that it would be necessary to use the ten per cent beginning in February, I told you that we would if possible restore the deduction in whole or in part at the end of the fiscal year. It is a satisfaction to me that we are able to restore the deductions for the last two months.

Please let me know as soon as you conveniently can whether you wish to accept the position at the lower salary.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Hope

3614 Newark St.N.W.
Washington, D.C.
July 31, 1935.

Dear Dr. DuBois,

You were so sweet to be concerned about my poor affairs. I wrote Dr. Hope last night exactly as you told me to, and now we shall see what we see. I was particularly concerned, because Mrs. Whiting had stirred up things after school was out by accusing me of being "indiscreet", and refusing to name the indiscretions. I was afraid that she was back of the letter. But Ira was in Washington Monday and I talked to him over the phone. He tells me that Mrs. Whiting is leaving, and that Miss Crocker is to be the principal. That probably changes things completely, and perhaps you are right that Dr. Hope meant nothing by his crudely written letter.

4-25-47

Much to my surprise, I had a thoroughly grand time at Swarthmore. I don't think I did much to further the cause of race relations (except in the extremely personal sense), but the Institute did a lot to inflate my ego. One of the best things about the experience was learning to know Virginia Alexander. She has invited me to stay with her for a few days before I go South, and if I go to New York the latter part of August, as I am now planning, I hope to stop off with her for a night anyway.

You are about to break up our happy home. I read BLACK RECONSTRUCTION all day, and then when Mercer gets home and I am ready to go places, he grabs an easy chair and BLACK RECONSTRUCTION and reads all the evening. Gosh, it's a beautiful book! I want an autograph when we get back, so begin thinking of what to write.

Thanks again for your reassuring wire and letter.

Affectionately,

Gwen Evans

3614 Newark St. N.W.
Washington D.C.
September 6, 1935.

Dear Dr. Du Bois,

After all my worry about having to resign from Atlanta University, I have done just that. Mercer was made head of the Labor Relations Division, and was also refused a leave from Emory, so that we have decided to stay up here. There was no reason why I should hold on to my job in Atlanta if we were not going back there again.

14-25-43

I shall be seeing you, however. I am to be director of a camp for unemployed women in Atlanta, held under the National Youth Administration. I leave here Sunday, and will be down there until November first. I imagine that I will be having many harrowing experiences with my one hundred girls, and I shall probably be ducking into your office to weep on your shoulder many times during that period. I give you fair warning!

I have just stopped thinking about my children going on to school without me. After eleven years of kindergarten, I feel as though the bottom has dropped out of everything. But I shall try to get a teaching job next year.

With devotion,

Eva Lord

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 10, 1935

Mrs. Ewn Evans
3614 Newark Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

14-25-44

My dear Mrs. Evans:

I am flabbergasted by your letter of September 6 and I am very very sorry. It is just like Emory to get rid of a liberal man in that way. I have seen this happen in Southern institutions for twenty-five years and in this way the best thought of the South is drained away to the North. Then, of course, the institution is going to miss you--well, it's all too damned bad. At any rate, I shall welcome you there temporarily.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[c. SEPT. 1933] [EVANS]

Camp for Unemployed Women
Smyrna, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois,

I hope you'll be in your office on Saturday morning, because I'm invading the campus and I want to see you.

14-25-45

The life of the director of a Workers Education camp is not an easy one. I've never been with so many females before in all my life.

With devotion,

Eva.

October 2, 1935

Mrs. Eva Evans
Camp for Unemployed Women
Smyrna, Georgia

14-25-46

My dear Eva:

I came to town on the 30th at 1:30 P.M. and whether your undated letter means that you called on the 28th or going to call on the 5th, I do not know. Save me from nervous prostration and come on the 5th, won't you?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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[EVA EVANS]

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November 12th

Dear Dr. DuBois,

14-26-15

I intended coming by to bid you a last farewell, but I didn't (as you know!) because I was so terribly rushed for time, and because I was feeling especially Bronte-ish during the last days in Atlanta. So you wouldn't have cared about seeing me anyway, would you?

I have been unemployed now for two days, and so far

its not bad. I am writing a sequel to Araminta, which I hope the publishers will like, and am searching for an apartment, which I hope Never will like. You see, I'm being very busy.

Affectionately,

Eva.

November 14, 1935

Mrs. Eva Knox Evans
Fairfax Hotel
2100 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Evans:

Georgia is sorry to lose you and I am personally grieved. I had a suspicion, however, that you might slip off as you did.

I wish you all good luck with the sequel to Aramintа and the sequel to our acquaintance.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 24, 1935

Mr. M. G. Evans
EMORY UNIVERSITY
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Evans:

I am interested in tracing the economic development of Atlanta, and I am writing to ask if you know of any material. I have, of course, the conventional histories by Reed, Hornady, and the one issued in 1902 by the Byrd Printing Company. Also, one by the Inter-State Publishing Company, 1892, and the facts and figures about Atlanta by the Chamber of Commerce.

14-26-2

I also know of Pearce and Thompson and Woolley on Reconstruction. I have used state reports on education and prisons, and police, and the "History of Georgia" by Avery. We have had one or two Master's theses in the government of Georgia from 1866-1870.

What I want to know is if there are any data on the inside history of corporations, like the Georgia Power Company, and the Cocoa Cola Company, or any history of individual fortunes, and their connection with the convict lease system. Any history or study of land and real estate operat ons?

I should be very glad if you could cite any such studies or tell me of any one who could give me further information.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Emory University
Emory University, Ga.

Department of Economics

May 1, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Box 356
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

14-26-3

I have your letter of April 24. As you know I wrote my doctor's thesis on the history of the organized labor movement and labor legislation in Georgia. There may be a good deal in this document which would be of of value to you and there may be a number of references which would prove valuable. The only copies of the thesis are in the University of Chicago library.

You of course know of Ivan Allen's "Atlanta From The Ashes". I have in my office the term paper of a student on the history of the corporate organization of the Georgia Power Company. It is not a detailed history and does not have any inside information, but it summarizes the various corporate combinations that were effected between 1892 and 1926. If you want this I shall be glad to send it to you.

I shall look forward to the production of this study.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mercer G. Evans

Mercer G. Evans

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 31, 1935

Mr. Mercer G. Evans
EMORY UNIVERSITY
~~Atlanta~~, Georgia

My dear Mr. Evans:

In answer to your letter of May 1, I shall be very glad if you would loan me that term paper on "The History of the Corporate Organization of the Georgia Power Company". I will get it back to you soon.

I do not know of Allen's "Atlanta from the Ashes", but I shall look it up and I am going to have our librarian to ask the University of Chicago to loan us your thesis.

Thank you very much for your kind response.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Cannot find

Emory University
Emory University, Ga.

Department of Economics

June 7, 1935

Dr. W. E. DuBois,
Atlanta, University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

14-26-7

I am exceedingly sorry ever to have to return anyone's check. Integrity in this case demands it, however, as I have no connection with the Southern Sociological Society. I did hear that such a society was formed a few weeks ago, but I have not heard who was chosen as President or Secretary. (My organization is the Southern Economics Associety, and I recall with pleasure that you are a member of it.)

With personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Mercer G Evans

Emory University
Emory University, Ga.

Department of Economics

June 19, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356, Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

14-26-8

Due, apparently, to the fact that insufficient postage was attached to your letter of May 31, it reached me only last Saturday. This was the letter in which you asked for the term paper I have on the history of the corporate organization of the Georgia Power Company. The letter reached me, of course, after I had come to Washington, and after Eva had left Atlanta for Washington; and since the term paper is well hidden away in some of my filing cases, I am afraid there will be no chance of extracting it until I return to Atlanta in the Fall. If at that time you still want it, please let me know and I shall be glad to send it to you.

I trust that you shall not work so hard on your Atlanta story that you shall not have a pleasant summer. With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Mercer G. Evans

Summer address:
3614 Newark St., N.W.,
~~Atlanta, Georgia~~
Washington, D. C.

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

14-26-9

Mr. Mercer S. Evans
3614 Newark Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Evans:

It will be all right to see the term paper when I return to Atlanta in the fall. In the meantime, I have read your University of Chicago thesis with a good deal of interest.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

80-23-41

WILEY COLLEGE
Marshall, Tx.
Dec. 14, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I received your letter of the 15th ult. I have been away for some days, and have just found it convenient to reply.

In the first place let me say that I am deeply interested in the proposed Encyclopedia Of The Negro. I think it is very appropriate and, it may be, timely. The financial situation, of course, would largely determine its timeliness. And probably one guess about recovery is as good as another. At least no one can speak with authority concerning it.

I would be willing to write a few articles for such an Encyclopedia if it can be done during the summer. Only then would I have sufficient time to make the necessary research. Then I would have to get away where one of the best libraries pertaining to the Negro would be available. Should I write such articles I think I would be interested in anthropological studies. If, however, the alphabetical list of topics is arranged in advance, I could better be able to make a selection after inspecting the list.

Wishing the undertaking proposed a success, I am

Very truly yours,

J. Leonard Farmer

J. Leonard Farmer

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 9, 1935

FARRAR AND RHINEHARDT
Editorial Department
9 East 41 Street
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

In 1925, Albert and Charles Boni published a book called "The New Negro", edited by Alain Locke. It was designed to restate the position of the Negro with regard to his general problems and accomplishment.

Ten years have passed and ten years so filled with economic and social change that they could perhaps be fifty years in ordinary times. At any rate, the outlook of the Negro has perceptibly changed, and not only is there a younger generation struggling for expression, but also some of the older men are changing their points of view.

It has been suggested to me by a young Negro is is about to get his Doctor's degree in Sociology at Columbia University that it will be an excellent time just now for me to edit a volume on present currents of thought among Negroes. That my task would be to select the proper writers, and perhaps to sum up and interpret what they had said.

14-30-16

There are a number of persons, some of whom did not appear in the former volume, who might make excellent contributions to this. Among these are Abram Harris, a Doctor of Philosophy in Economics from Columbia, and professor at Howard University; Rayford Logan, former Captain in the A.E.F., and candidate for the Doctor's degree in History at Harvard, Ira Reid, who has done a good deal of social investigation, and is a Master of Arts from Columbia, Robert Weaver, a Harvard Ph.D., connected with the N.R.A., Sterling Brown, Howard University, author of several volumes of poetry, William H. Dean, a Harvard M.A. in Economics, who has made a notable record, and E. Franklin Frazier, a Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Chicago.

Beside these economists and historians of the younger group, there are artists and writers. Langston Hughes and Countee Cullen wrote before, but doubtless have a new message, and there is Welborn Jenkins, Claude McKay, George Schuyler, Arna Bontemps, George W. Streator, W. N. Rivers, the Cornell Doctor in Literature, V. B. Spratlin, a Ph.D. in Spanish Literature, and a number of others. I think I could get the co-operation of most of these.

I am writing to ask if you will be interested in such a volume, and would be glad to have your judgment.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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21st February, 1935

Dear Mr. DuBois:

I regret exceedingly that we cannot see our way to do your proposed book on the Negro. It would be fine to renew an old association, but we already have one or two omnibus books coming along and hesitate to extend ourselves further in this direction. You will most likely be able to place it elsewhere and I do hope so.

Yours sincerely,

John Farrar

JF:VM

W.E.B.DuBois, Esq.
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-30-18

MEMORANDUM TO: THE MISSRS FEGER, KLINE AND DRAKE

FROM: DR. DU BOIS

Mea culpa! The breakfast for Sunday is off. I have got to speak both Saturday and Sunday. I am very much distressed. Hope on, hope ever!

April 4, 1935

14-61-41

MEMORANDUM

To: Miss Fegor
From: Dr. Du Bois

I suggest the following list of great Negro educators:

1. John Chavis
2. Charles Reason
3. Mary Peake
4. Fannie Jackson Coppin
5. Daniel A. Payne
6. [illegible] S. Scarborough
7. William H. Crogman
8. J. C. Price
9. Booker T. Washington
10. George Carver

14-19-1

November 8, 1935
WEBD/DW

Miss Jeger

SUGGESTED SUBJECTS FOR MASTERS' THESES IN THE
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1. A history of the attempt to train Negroes in modern industry by means of industrial schools.
2. A study of the curriculum of Hampton and Tuskegee in its relation to the labor movement in America.
3. The scope and method of economic teaching in Negro colleges.
4. The scope and facilities for the teaching of science in Negro colleges.
5. A comparison of curriculum of Negro colleges in order to show the division of time between different subjects and the changes which that division has overcome in the last quarter century.
6. The efforts of American Negroes to supplement the failure of the state in the South to give good free public school education.
7. The attitude of the White South toward Negro education from 1860 to 1935.
8. The history and development of the Negro high school in the South.
9. How far can the intellectual accomplishment of a human being during his school life be reduced to a matter of comparative figures?
10. The teaching of textbooks used in Southern school systems concerning the Negro race, slavery and Reconstruction?
11. The lives and contributions of ten great Negro American teachers.

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FIGHT
AGAINST WAR AND FASCISM

112 East 19th Street
Room 605
NEW YORK, N. Y.
ALgonquin 4-9784-9785

April 17, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Doctor DuBois:

14-1-06

You may recall my name as one of the members of the executive board of the Theatre Union, producers of "Stevedore." I am now editing FIGHT and would like very much to get a contribution from you. I have in mind an article which will fit into the June issue of FIGHT, which will be a special trade union number. It might be an article showing that with the development of Fascism in the United States the Negroes in the South will be subjected to greatly increased persecution, which will make the Nazi treatment of Jews seem almost humane; or it might be on the question of discrimination against Negroes in the trade unions. Any article dealing with struggles of Negro workers, recent efforts to organize into trade unions, etc. will be acceptable.

All of our articles are brief and popular in character--800 to 1000 words. Please let me know if you can find time to write this article by May first. May tenth is the final deadline.

Sincerely yours,

Liston M. Oak

LMO:MR

Liston M. Oak
Editor

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-1-07

April 23, 1935

Mr. Liston M. Oak
Editor, FIGHT
112 East 19 Street
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

I am afraid to promise you anything this spring. I have made too many literary promises already. If I can do anything next fall, I should be glad to.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

MAIDA VALE 6923.

FLAT 174,
29, ABERCORN PLACE,
ST. JOHN'S WOOD,
LONDON.

Feb. 18 - 35

14-21-54.

Dear B,

I have been meaning to write you, but I have been the unfortunate victim of a "bus" accident from which my recovery has been so slow that I'm off to a nursing home tomorrow.

I shall write as soon as I'm able.

Tell Dr. Hope and any I have written Dear Sage.

Sincerely (with Anna) Fisher

MAIDA VALE 6023.

FLAT 174,
29, ABERCORN PLACE,
ST. JOHN'S WOOD,
LONDON.

June 9, 1935.

14-21-55.

Dear Mr. Du Bois,

I am sorry not to have been able to write you long before now. But my bus accident the end of last January was most disastrous for me. I was home ill in bed for a month or so, then wafted off to a nursing home where I stayed for three weeks, then home for a week, then down to the sea for a fort-night, home in bed again for another fort-night and back again to the nursing home

in April 30 to have what I hope will be my last fixation and from which I am only now slowly recovering. In July I go down to Devonshire for a fortnight and between Aug. 12-15, a friend, Miss Tooley, who lectures in history at Bedford College, and I are coming to America via Quebec. We sail from New York in time to be back in London by Oct. 6th.

Are you in New York in September? And, if so, can we meet somewhere?

Can you tell me any good hotel which will take us both in? It will seem strange to encounter travel problems again.

I am looking forward to seeing my native country once more. I am not telling any other New Yorker forever of my coming. I don't seem to remember any one there any way.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Anna Fisher

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 22nd, 1935

Miss Ruth Anna Fisher
Flat 174-29 Abercorn Place
St. John's Wood
London, England

14-21-56

My dear Ruth Anna:

You certainly do pick out adventures. Imagine anybody colliding with a London bus, but chacun a sagouth. I do hope you are getting all right again. I knew you must have been pretty badly off when I did not hear from you.

I shall be in New York the first three weeks in September and then go to Atlanta. I shall be very glad to welcome you. You could stop at the Hotel Pennsylvania or the Hotel Astor or the Hotel Brevoort and I do not think you probably would have difficulty in most of the other hotels. The prices of course, will be rather stiff.

I shall be glad to meet the boat, if you will tell me when you and your friend are coming. If you wanted cheaper quarters, they could be arranged at the YWCA in Harlem, with private bath and other conveniences. Such a place would have to be engaged in advance.

Let me hear from you again. With best regards.

Very sincerely yours,

webd/s

Fisher

MAIDA VALE 6023.

FLAT 174,
29, ABERCORN PLACE,
ST. JOHN'S WOOD,
LONDON.

July 24, 1930.

14-21-53

Dear Mr. Du Bois,

Many thanks for your letter. Miss Tooley and I sail on the Empress of Britain on Aug. 10 for Quebec. Perhaps, then, you will meet me at the station, in New York. We shall stay for about a week in Canada and then come on down to N. Y. through the New England states. My chief, Dr. Jameson, comes to Portland, Maine to see me. Then we visit friends of mine en route, one at Harvard, one at Wellesley and one at Yale. We hope to be in New York for a week before we sail on Oct. 3 on the Majestic.

On what day do you start your journey to Atlanta? Could you let me know this by

Letter at once, if you can catch a fast boat which will reach here before Aug. 10, or, if not, can you not have a letter to meet me when the Empress of Britain arrives in Quebec? Our plans haven't been put into date as yet so that other than Cook's at New York or the Library of Congress, care of Dr. Jameson, ~~Ave Hre~~ I can give you no other address to reach me. But as soon as I know, I shall write.

Am I to be put to the expense of buying a copy of your book on the reconstruction period?

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Anna Fisher

[FISHER]

Rueb Cross Fisher

Aug. 22/35.

14-21-59

Dear B.,

This is the first time I've had an address to give you. I'm meeting my dad here in a few days so that you can write me here until the middle or perhaps end of next week. So please write soon.

From the time I leave here until towards the end of the first week in Sept., that is about the 5th or 6th, I shall be free. From here I go to Boston. Where around there could we meet? I should like you to meet Miss Tooley, but she wouldn't necessarily be with us all the time. If you can think of any pleasant plan let me know. I shall not be going to Washington and shall not reach

New York until the week of the 23d of September. And on October 3 - Gott sei dank - I leave for London.

You are one of the three people whom I want to see here and I shall be disappointed if I don't. Please what is a holy kiss? Not pure white war?

Do let me correct your French. In two recent letters you have written as for ever après.

As always,

Ruth

Sorry about Mama.

[FISHER]

Aug. 25/1933

14-21-60

Dear Burghardt;

As much as I may seem like the kind of woman who never knows her own mind and is eternally changing her plans, I am not. For my final word my plans have largely depended on others.

But now this is final. We should like to come to New York tentatively. Among other reasons two have contributed to this decision — one is the weather — the summer seems to have departed and the other is Dr. Jameson coming after here tomorrow, Monday, which leaves my time to quite free.

Would you then be a good enough friend to ask if we could have a double room and private bath etc. in the Y. W.? Can you do it through Sally Alexander? She is something on the Y. W. Board, isn't she? Tho' I wasn't telling her of my arrival just yet - but it doesn't really matter.

You should get this letter on Tuesday afternoon some time. If you could find out about us about the Y. W. and they can accommodate us would you wire me here at the Eastland Hotel and on that same day, if possible, and we should leave here on Wednesday evening at nine p.m. I think the train goes, and arrive in N. Y. on Thursday morning. The telegram is my expense.

I should wire you the exact time of our arrival and keep you to your promise of meeting us. But anything you won't recognize me.

Miss Torlen sends her regards and I send love.

R. A. T.

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 18, 1935

Miss Ruth Anna Fisher
Y. W. C. A.
179 West 137 Street
New York, New York

14-21-63

My dear Ruth:

I missed seeing Dr. Jamison. I stayed until nearly half-past four and then had to leave for an appointment about the baby's school in Harlem. I am sorry. Next time I am in Washington, I shall try to call again. Thank you for your kind offices.

I am off tomorrow and shall not have a chance to see you again. I am sorry I was so busy, but I shall be in London next spring.

My best regards to Miss Tooley and best love to you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

October 8, 1935

Miss Ruth Anna Fisher,
Flat 174,
29, Abercorn Place,
St. John's Wood,
London, England

14-21-64

My dear Ruthanna:

I am hoping that this will reach London about the time that you do. After saying good-bye to you, I was summoned back to New York to speak September 25, but could not get in touch with you and had to leave the next day. Then again, I made an attempt to send off a night letter which would reach you in New York before you sailed, but it did not get off.

As perhaps you know, I failed to see Dr. Jameson. I was there at four o'clock and waited until half-past and then had to leave on account of an appointment in Harlem. He was delayed and did not get back to the hotel until after five o'clock. He wrote me, however, a very nice letter and I shall call on him in Washington.

I am sorry not to have seen more of you and Miss Tooley, but we did have a few pleasant meetings and will take up where we left off when I get to London. I hope your health is going to continue good and be carefully guarded.

My best regards to you both

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

October 18, 1935

Miss Ruth Anna Fisher
Flat 174
29, Abercorn Place
St. John's Wood
London, England

My dear Ruthanna:

14-21-65

I have executed the first of your commissions. Today, I saw Miss Bethea. She does not seem to know anything about you and is rather mystified as to how you know about her.

She is a rather pretty brown-skinned girl of nice size and appearance and has a pleasant face and uses good English. She has been at Spelman for six years, having had her preparatory work at Southern Pines in North Carolina. She is a senior this year and her major is English. She has taken most of the courses in composition and says that she has written "some poetry." She is also interested in art and has taken drawing and painting. She hopes, after graduation, to get a chance to study art, or failing that, to work in the nursery school.

She made a very excellent impression and I think she is worthy of any encouragement or help that you could steer her way.

I hope you had a good trip and I am waiting to hear from you.

Very sincerely yours

WEBD/DW

W. E. B. Du Bois

[FISHER]

MAIDA VALE 6023.

FLAT 174,
29, ABERCORN PLACE,
ST. JOHN'S WOOD,
LONDON.

Nov. 18, 1935.

Dear Burghardt,

Two letters in such rapid succession have left me surprised, astonished and delighted.

I'm terribly sorry about not having seen you again - Marian kept saying that leaving New York would be a mistake - but perhaps May will make up for it.

It's too bad you didn't get the boat letter written, nor the telegram sent off, but I'm fast learning to make the most of the few jobs which come my way, and not to sigh too openly for those which do not.

14-21-66

coming back with us.

We had a perfect crossing coming back and it is beautiful to be at home again. But, unfortunately, Sir not getting strong as fast as I think I should. The doctor says that things take time! He's a fool.

It's too bad you can't be here this winter as Sir just bought the most elegant new fur coat which is the envy of all my friends and makes them, as in the case of royalty, walk a few inches behind me when we go out together!

Our last week end in America we spent with the Kerrs at their farm in Connecticut. Stewart is quite mad. But I was glad to see them.

If you could have seen the importance with which I was regarded at Wellesley College where I was Professor Romance Great,

this farce which came to me in Rome Atlanta literature sent by Dr. Hope is my only knowledge of Miss Bates. - I explained this to you in Rome Christ, but you probably only half listened. - I showed it to several people here in London who, shared it to several people here in London who, with me, thought it expressive. And I was glad to know your what else is like. More of this later. Can't I appreciate your seeing her.

Our darling you didn't see my beloved Child. But you must tell me when you do - and right away quick tell me what you need. Comma Stop need about me in Paris Comma Stop

Marion and I loved America as much as ever but we think of coming over again during the Easter holidays - and if we do perhaps you will be

coming back with us.

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If you could have seen the importance with which I was regarded at Wellesley College where I was Professor Emeritus for a day, it would have made you laugh! It appears that I am the only person who is alive. Many of the later. But I appreciate your seeing her.

One thing you didn't see my beloved Child. But you must tell me when you do - and right away quick tell me what you and Emma Stokes said about me in Clarke Fairmain presence!

Marion and I plead America as grounds that we think of coming over again during the Easter holidays - and if we do perhaps you will be

This form which came to me in some Atlantic literature sent by Dr. Hope is my only knowledge of Miss Bates. - I explained this to you in New York, but you probably only half listened. - I showed it to several people here in London who, with me, thought it appropriate. And I am glad to have given you what else is like. More of this later. But I appreciate your seeing her.

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you would have been as amused as I was.

In the days of my extreme youth I must have been a pretty terrifying creature with my sweeping and intolerant criticisms. Now they are probably tempered with more wisdom and sweetness, but I find my standard of values little changed, and I find they are not unlike those of the people whose friendship and character I value. You shouldn't have treated my opinions so ruthlessly in the old days. ——————————

This is not the kind of letter I meant to write. But whatever I write there is always underneath it a sense of real joy in your permanent friendship.

Do remember me to Dr. Hope and tell him how much he missed in not seeing Marian and me.

Love,

Ruth Anna

MAIDA VALE 6023.

FLAT 174,
29, ABERCORN PLACE,
ST. JOHN'S WOOD,
LONDON.

Dec. 28, 1935.

14-23-25

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.,
U.S.A.

My dear Dr. Du Bois,

I think the idea of the Encyclopaedia of the Negro a good one. I should be willing to co-operate in any way I could. But since I am far from being an authority on any phase of American Negro life I do not at the moment see in what way I can help. If my knowledge of British archives is of use do call upon me.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Anna Fisher

[1935?]

THE SINCLAIR
BETHLEHEM, N. H.

Wed.

Dear B.,

Am sorry to have missed your telephone call, but was keen going to matinee each afternoon, and up till now free each evening. But now was getting tied up with engagements. Were trying to get into The Children's Hour tomorrow afternoon - a friend of mine wants to call in the evening, and Friday evening we go out. Don't suppose could like to keep Saturday afternoon - think some a long way off - are you? If you are.

Let me know & I'll write you.

(Ruth & Anne Fisher)

14-21-57

[1935?]

My dear Mr. Du Bois

I have had some very fine
hearing letters from my mother stating
that she would certainly like to
have seen immediately. I could
have only just had another
should greatly appreciate it. Mr. Hunter,
[illegible] Court, 4838 Vincennes Ave.,
would be glad to talk with you about
[illegible]

13-24-54

Very truly yours,

Ruth Arnett

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[FISK ALUMNI]

Fort Smith, Ark.,
April 30- 1935.

Dear Classmate:

Mr G.W.Whiting of Montgomery, West Virginia, is filling an unexpired term as Chairman of the Fisk Alumni fund ssociation and as such officer is requesting our cooperation as heretofore in raisinf funds to better Fisk and support the objectives of the Alumni ssociation .

The campaign closes at Commencment but I have waited this long to addeess you because I find that often the more time we have the less we accomplish ,so let us respond heartily and do our part.

I trust you will agree with me that our class send at least two dollars and as much more as possible per member this year and every year hereafter no matter what amount quota may have been decided upon by the Association.

May I then depend on you to send directly to the Fisk Alumni Fund Association thru Mr A.J.Allison, Alumni Secretary who will acknowledge your contribution two dollars and as much more as you can give .

Let us be onehundred percent paid up.

Sincerely Yours,

Mamie Stewart Rosenberger

14-21-71

[FISK ALUMNI]

General Alumni Association
FISK UNIVERSITY

July 27, 1935

Dr W E B DuBois
226 W 150 St, Apt 5
New York City

My dear Dr DuBois:

I am preparing pamphlets on scholarships which have been granted at Fisk University in the past, and what have been the accomplishments of the recipients. I would like to know, therefore, whether or not you received any scholarships while attending Fisk, and if you remember, I would appreciate your stating the amount and source of same. If you received scholarships or fellowships after graduating from Fisk, please indicate.

14-21-22

The information sought will be used in literature to interest various communities throughout the country in raising Fisk scholarships. Inasmuch as I am working on this material now, I would appreciate this information at your earliest convenience. Thanking you for this cooperation, I remain

Sincerely yours,
Andrew J. Allison
Andrew J Allison
Alumni Secretary

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Prize granted and $250 @ Harvard 1888-9 1889-90
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Scholarship from Slater fund $750 a year 1892-3, 1893-4
(375 gift 375 repaid into interest

[FISK CLUB]

8-12-41

126 North Mesquite Street
San Antonio, Texas
March 30, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
City

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Just a note to welcome you to this city and wish you a pleasant visit (as it seems I may not hear you on the morrow).

Further, to beseech your doing a bit for "Old Gold and Blue" - the good old

Again, my best wishes for a happy visit in San Antonio!

Sincerely yours
(Miss) Ednamae Ellison
Hiskite, (visiting from Denver)

Fisk Spirit is, or seems to be, lagging here. Encourage each Fisk man and woman you meet to do make thru the Fisk Club!

Mr. Allison aroused a spark of interest,— but I failed in my efforts to have the group which met him here decide on a date for reorganization of the local Fisk unit.

A word from you to each Fiskite you contact while here may fan to steady flame the spark Mr. Allison set glowing.

- Walden Mr. Mrs
- Banks
- Shuttlesworth
- DuBois
- Elizabeth Johnson

[FISK CLUB]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 3, 1935

14-21-70

Miss Ednamae Ellison
126 North Mesquite Street
San Antonio, Texas

My dear Miss Ellison:

I was in San Antonio so short a time that there was little that I could do to say anything about Fisk. I do not know the Fiskites there, and spent most of my time sightseeing. I saw Mr. Allison in Houston.

I was glad, however, to hear from you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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14-24-41

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Your letter of March 9, enclosing your manuscript entitled "The African Roots of War," has been received. Mr. Armstrong is away from New York just now, but when he returns your letter and manuscript will be brought to his attention.

Yours sincerely,

Mary H. Dewees

Secretary

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April 30, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I need not say that I read your article, "The African Roots of War," with interest and sympathy. I am sorry to have to report, however, that after careful consideration, and taking account of the very crowded condition of our schedule, I do not see any strong likelihood of our being able to make use of it in an early issue of FOREIGN AFFAIRS. I therefore return the manuscript herewith, with thanks to you for having given us the opportunity of examining it, and hoping that on some future occasion we may again be able to number you among the contributors to FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Yours sincerely,

Hamilton Fish Armstrong

Enc. MS.

Pl Cache
Sentmen
Harpers

14-24-10

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 30, 1935

Mr. Hamilton Fish Armstrong
FOREIGN AFFAIRS
45 East 65 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Armstrong:

Is there any chance that my article on "Italy and Ethiopia" will be used by FOREIGN AFFAIRS? I sent it to you some time ago.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
226 West 150 Street
New York City

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have read your article through not once but three times. I am conscious of its strength and eloquence, and I understand too that even in its purely historical parts there are certain points which have a bearing on the racial questions in which we are interested today. At the same time, the article as a whole could not be printed under the title which we discussed, namely "Racial Implications of the Ethiopian Conflict." That fact is important because, as I explained to you in our conversation, we have already printed in FOREIGN AFFAIRS (April 1935) an article describing the recent political and diplomatic background of the impending conflict, and in our forthcoming issue we are printing three other articles in this general field - one which gives the historical background of the present Ethiopian feudal state, another describing the physical features of the country, particularly with a view to strategy, and the third taking up the question of British imperial communications and in particular the Suez Canal as a factor in the present dispute.

Now an article from you on the racial implications of the conflict would round out our presentation of the subject, besides being in itself extremely interesting to our readers. But the manuscript which you have sent us is quite different from what I expected. After three pages of interesting general introduction, you turn entirely to the history of Ethiopia, and that subject consumes all the space up to about page 18. Only in the last five pages do you come to the subject I had in mind, and then in rather general terms. I think the trouble is that you have had Ethiopia principally in mind and not the rest of Africa. But the implications of the Ethiopian conflict, both spiritual and material, are principally outside of Ethiopia. What is going to be the effect specifically on the blacks in South Africa? What attention is being paid the matter in Belgian Congo and in the French colonies? Further afield, what might be the specific effect in India where the British are playing their great trump-card (the present India bill) in the attempt to keep India within the Empire? What is the feeling among American negroes? All these are specific questions, and the answer to one may very well be different from the answer to the others. That they are specific questions, and that there are answers to some of them, was indicated by the little article in the Nation and Athenaeum which I handed you the other day.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois August 24, 1935

14-24-37

I am afraid as you are away from New York, and may not be back until Tuesday, it will be too late for you to recast your article in time for us to use it in this issue. I shall be greatly disappointed if this turns out to be the case. It is just possible, however, that you will come back from Washington sooner than Mrs. Du Bois expects and that you will feel like throwing yourself into the task of reconstructing your article in accordance with my foregoing suggestions. Please therefore be so good as to call me up immediately on your return, so that we can discuss the matter. I think that if we were able to get your revised manuscript by Tuesday noon, we might possibly arrange to print it. But that would be the very last moment, and even so I am not absolutely sure that we could arrange to squeeze it through the press in time.

Looking forward to hearing from you as promptly as possible, believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

Enc.

HAMILTON FISH ARMSTRONG
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45 EAST SIXTY-FIFTH STREET, NEW YORK

September 14, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
226 West 150 Street
New York City

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I send you herewith our check for one hundred dollars in payment for your article appearing in the forthcoming October issue of FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Two copies of this issue are being sent you.

Yours sincerely,

Mary H. Stevens

Secretary

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October 31, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
226 West 150 Street
New York City

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Mr. Armstrong thought you might be interested in seeing the enclosed clipping of an editorial based on your recent FOREIGN AFFAIRS article. I attach a list of papers in which this same editorial appeared.

Yours sincerely,

Mary N. Stevens

Secretary

Encs.

November 8, 1935

Miss Mary H. Stevens
Foreign Affairs
45 East 65 Street
New York, New York

14-21-68

My dear Miss Stevens:

Thank you for the clippings which you kindly sent me. I have seen, also, a comment on my article in the Neue Zuricher Zeitung of Zurich, Switzerland, October 22, 1935.

Probably you know of it, but I thought I would bring it to your attention in case you have not.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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December 28, 1935

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I regret my delay in answering your letter of November fifteenth. The work that you and your Board are undertaking is of real interest and I shall be glad to make whatever contribution you may advise in your projected publication.

I certainly agree that an encyclopaedia collection devoted to the Negro race would meet with acceptance and would serve to clarify many facts relative to the Negro which are now, either through ignorance or lack of authoritative information, misinterpreted or incompletely known.

In answer to request that I submit an article I return the compliment asking that you choose from among my activities a subject on which you believe I might give competent information. As you probably know from your files I am a chemist and engineer with a few years teaching experience, and an equal number of years experience in physico-chemical research at the Research Laboratory of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In 1934 I was employed as chemist for the Caldwell Company, was later placed in charge of rectifying operations, and recently was made plant superintendent.

We are, as the letter head reveals, distillers and rectifiers, and my function consists in supervising each phase of plant operation,--fermenting, distilling, rectifying, technical control, and research, each division consisting of its separate staff. I offer this as my experience on which you may draw for chemical research, chemical education, and industrial management, or an incorporation of the three.

I thank you for your letter and give you my assurance of my interest and my willingness to cooperate in any way that you may suggest.

Very truly yours,

Marron W. Fort

Marron W. Fort,
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1500 WALNUT ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Fort Valley, Georgia

October 7th, 1935 .

Dr. W.E.B/ DuBois
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-28-25

My dear Dr. DuBois:

For many years the Teachers, Students and friends of this community have celebrated Thanksgiving Day by making a contribution to the Fort Valley Normal & Industrial School of which my father-in-law Mr. H.A. Hunt is Principal .

In this annual "Thanksgiving Rally" evertone, Principal, Teachers, Students and friends take an active part. There is real need for money we collect each year as it is doubtful if we could keep our doors open without it .

Under the supervision of teachers all classes vie with each other in an effort to raise the largest amount. This annual Rally develops friendly, but keen rivalry and competition each teacher and class striving to raise the largest amount.

I am the teacher of the 4th grade which means I have young children only to work with, however through hard work I have been able for several years to be one of the "runners up" in this contest which includes classes through the Junior College .

Last year I won second place with the senior high school class taking first place. This year my class and I can win if we can get friends to help us .

I am asking you to encourage my class and assist a needy and worthy cause.

I am sure you will be pleased to know that both our high school and junior college work have A. Grade rating with the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges .

I am taking this opportunity to thank you in advance for any contribution you may make. Please make check or money order payable to the Fort Valley Normal & Industrial School or to Mrs. H.A. Hunt Jr. and send letter addressed to me as sponsor of the 4th grade. Please let me hear from you as soon as it is possible for you to do so .

We invite you to join us on Thanksgiving Day in our rejoicing over the success you will help us to achieve .

Very sincerely yours,
Mrs. H. A. Hunt Jr.

October 10, 1935

14-28-26

Mrs. H. A. Hunt, Jr.
Fort Valley High and
Industrial School
Fort Valley, Georgia

My Dear Mrs. Hunt:

Enclosed is my contribution which I am glad to make.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

June 1, 1935

14.21-52

Mr. Henry Goddard Leach
THE FORUM
441 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Leach:

I am venturing to send the enclosed manuscript to you. I suppose it is not quite in the line of articles which THE FORUM uses, but I am not sure. If not, I am enclosing postage and my summer address: 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 July, New York.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

December 10, 1935

The Editor of The Forum Magazine
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New York, New York (570 Lexington Ave.,

Dear Sir:

14-31-30

May I bring to your attention the following situation which seems to me to call for an article in your magazine:

In the fall of 1935, a strike took place among the editorial writers and reporters on the Amsterdam News, a colored weekly published in Harlem. These writers had joined the new union in which Heyward Broun and others are others are interested.

The strike was unsuccessful and the young writers lost their jobs and since they are colored, there is practically no opportunity for them to get other jobs of the same sort, except on other colored papers in New York or elsewhere.

This shows a peculiar dilemma. From most of the labor unions, Negroes are excluded, either in the constitution or by the ritual or by local action. In unions where they are admitted, they are in most cases discriminated against. It is fair to say that in the union movement, Negroes are barred from nine-tenths of the best paying jobs. In cases where they have underbid the union workers as scabs, they have often met the treatment of the molders in Chattanooga some years ago. The molders struck; non-union Negro laborers took their places; the molders obtained their union and asked Negroes to join; the Negroes joined; the employers made peace with the union and re-hired the white molders, leaving the Negro molders out.

The result is that in the best paying and new technique, Negroes cannot get an industrial foothold and in the older branches, they are being forced out, as for instance, as locomotive firemen.

In partial compensation for this industrial exclusion, the Negroes have long tried to establish their own businesses and hire Negro workers. Here they have had some success. There are manufacturing establishments, like Fore and Walker's Hair Preparation; there are insurance organizations with a number of employees and there are newspapers and retail stores.

In most of these cases, the Negro managers worked along with their employees and their income was from wages far more than from profits. In some cases, however, the Negro manager has become a capitalist.

There are, for instance, four or five Negro weekly newspapers which have proved to be profitable investments and yielded their owners considerable incomes, from $5,000 to $25,000 a year, and most of this income has

The Editor of the Forum Magazine

been profits and not wages.

Suppose, now, the employees of these Negro business institutions should join the labor movement and strike for higher wages. First of all, the Negro employers would complain that it is only by paying lower wages that they can make their businesses grow and that for the most part, their profits are rewards for hard labor in the past; that if they try to pay union wages and value, that the black laborers could not get jobs with white institutions; that the low wages paid by colored institutions is, therefore, better than no wage at all.

14-31-31

On the other hand, the white labor leaders say that unless Negroes are going to join in the labor movement and cease scabbing ~~and join in labor collective bargaining and raise the rate of wages~~. The Negroes in rebuttal point out that by the action of white laborers themselves they are getting smaller and smaller chance for remunerative work in any line and that, therefore, they must take what is offered in order to live. cannot successfully raise the rate of wages.

Here is an extraordinary dilemma and a real one, and the only way out, as I see it, is producers' and consumers' co-operation among Negroes, the possibility of which both the Negro intelligentsia and white labor leaders and white economists desire.

Do you not think the above situation calls for an article? I shall be glad to have your judgment.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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The Editor of the Forum Magazine

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Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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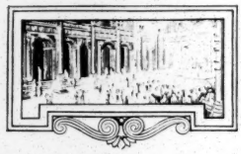

December 26,1935.

Dear Mr. Du Bois,

14-21-53

Mr. Leach is away at the moment, but I am sure he would be interested in the idea suggested in your letter of December 10.

Of course, we never give a definite order for an article, but why not let us take a look at the MS. when it reaches a certain stage of development? We are tremendously concerned with the problems of the negro, and the situation you cite certainly calls for a vigorous airing .

It would be a great pleasure to have you back in The Forum and I hope the proposed article may turn out to be for us. As you probably know few of our published contributions exceed 3500 words.

Sincerely yours,

P. Moir

Associate Editor

Professor W. E. B. du Bois
Atlanta University, Atlanta, Ga.

PAUL LAWRENCE DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL
W. H. FOUSE, PRINCIPAL
LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY

11 December 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Doctor DuBois:

14-25-71

I am doing a piece of work under the direction of the University of Cincinnati. Your "Black Reconstruction" is of very great service.

Since this school requires quite definite citations, may I ask you the favor of giving me a more complete bibliographic description of document 15, page 54 in "Black Reconstruction"? I need the entire name of the author, _____ _____ Stewart, "The Reward of Patriotism". When, where, and by whom published and the number of pages in the book.

This book is not in the library of the University of Kentucky.

I shall greatly appreciate this information.

Very truly yours

W. H. Fouse
Principal

WHF:Y
Encl.

December 13, 1935

14-25-72

Mr. W. H. Fouse
Principal
Paul Laurence Dunbar High School
Lexington, Kentucky

My dear Mr. Fouse:

The book in question is "The Reward of Patriotism" by Lucy Shelton Stewart, published by Walter Neale, New York, 1930, 483 pages.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

October 10, 1935

President Dixon Ryan Fox
Union College
Schenectady, New York

14-31-06

My dear Sir:

I have been told that you are connected in some administrative capacity with the PWA in Washington. My information may be wrong, but I am venturing to write you.

You will see from the enclosed leaflet and from this letterhead that a project for an Encyclopaedia of the Negro was started several years ago and is now being revived. It has been suggested to us by persons in Washington and elsewhere that it might be possible to get help for preliminary work on this project from the PWA. I accordingly sent an outline of such a project to Mr. Alsberg, whom I understood was in charge of this. I am sending enclosed a copy of that letter.

Meantime, it has been suggested that Ishould write to you to see if such a matter would come under your jurisdiction. If it does and if there is any chance for favorable consideration of our plan, I should be very glad to hear from you at your convenience and to find out what steps it is necessary to take.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. Du Bois

[FOX]

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ANNUAL MEETING, LAKE MOHONK, SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 1, 2, 1935

14-31-10

October 16, 1935.

W

My dear Mr. Du Bois:

I am sorry to say in reply to your letter of October 10th that the New York State Historical Association, of which I happen to be president, is involved in only one W. P. A. project, that of surveying and docketing the historical records of New York State and describing its historic monuments. I of course would warmly approve the project of an enclyclopedia of the Negro and earnestly hope it may have attention in the proper quarters. But as I am unknown in Washington I suspect that my recommendation would have little weight. If you think it would and can designate the proper person to address, I will gladly write a letter.

Cordially yours,

Dixon Ryan Fox.

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
226 West 150th Street,
Apartment 5 Jay,
New York, N. Y.

October 31, 1935

14-21-77

President Dixon R. Fox
Union College
Schenectady, New York

My dear President Fox:

I appreciate your kind letter of October 16. I do not know myself whom to address just now in Washington as matters are in such chaos, but if I find later that letters would be of service, I shall be very glad to avail myself of your kind offer.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. Du Bois

W

Law School of Harvard University,

Cambridge, Mass.

October 11, 1935

My dear Dr. DuBois,

I have your letter of September 10th. There can hardly be, I believe, a difference of opinion as to the desirability of having an Encyclopedia of the Negro conceived and executed according to the best standards of scientific scholarship. Unfortunately, I cannot undertake to make any contribution to such an Encyclopedia, partly because of my lack of special knowledge in the field that would be canvassed, and partly because I have undertaken work that will reguire all my writing and research energies for a good many years ahead.

14-26-86

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Felix Frankfurter

Dr. W. E. B DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

October 26, 1935.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

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14-21-47

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am replying to your letter concerning the proposed encyclopedia to be devoted mainly to the American Negro. The delay in answering this letter has been due to the fact that my time has been divided between work here and the study in Harlem which the Mayor's Commission has been undertaking.

I feel that the time is ripe for a first-rate encyclopedia which will contain authoritative articles on various phases of Negro life. While such a piece of work would naturally place a new valuation upon Negro culture and achievement, the articles and biographies should be written in terms of universal human values in order that they may have real significance. If this is the spirit in which the Encyclopedia is being projected, I shall be happy to contribute articles or biographies and co-operate in any other way necessary.

Sincerely yours,

E. Franklin Frazier

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X E. Franklin Frazier

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 31, 1935

Mr. Leo Frobenius
Prasident Des Forschungs-Instituts
Fur Kulturmorphologie E.V.
Frankfurt A.M.
Gr. Eschenheimerstrasse 26, Germany

My dear Sir:

Mr. Spingarn has kindly send me your letter of November 17, 1934, and I have also eceived a letter from Dr. Wieschhoff in answer to my letter of November 5.

I am enclosing photographs of the chain armour in question. I should be very glad indeed if you could write me a statement on the back of these photographs giving the history of these pieces. I'm sorry to trouble you, but I want very much to preserve these with proper identification.

I am, sir,

Very respectfully yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosures 2.

VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE FOR NEGROES
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October 10, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-21-15

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I shall be glad to cooperate with you in keeping with your request of September tenth. I shall submit an article to you the subject of which I shall send you later.

Very sincerely yours,

John M. Gandy

John M. Gandy
President

JMG:J

14-11-35

2014 N. Robertson Street
New Orleans, Louisiana
November 12, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Dubois:

This letter comes to you requesting a letter or some form of evidence to the effect that I attended the Xavier University Summer School for F.E.R.A. Teachers and did creditable work.

If you will be kind enough to extend to me this courtesy it will be of immeasurable value.

Thanking you most graciously and anticipating a reply by return mail, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Romeo Garrett

RG:AS

Romeo Garrett.

P.S. I am sure you recall that I was a member of your class in Economic History of the Negro.

14-11-36

November 21, 1935

Mr. Romoc Garrett
2014 North Robertson Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

My dear Sir:

Your letter of November 12 says that you attend the Xavier University Summer School and wish me to testify thereto.

I did not teach at the Xavier University Summer School and thus am unable to testify as to your attendance.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-11-37

2014 N. Robertson Street
New Orleans, Louisiana
November 24, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Box 356
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I regret very much having made the great error in my letter of November 12 by asking you to testify that I attended Xavier University Summer School. The fact that I attended both schools and was asked to get letters from both accounts for this error.

I would be very grateful to you if you send me a letter testifying that I attended the Atlanta Teachers' Training Center for F.E.R.A. teachers in 1934. This will be of immeasurable value to me.

Again thanking you for your kindness, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Romeo Garrett

RG:AS

Romeo Garrett.

P.S. I am sure you recall that I was in your class, "The Economic Status of the Negro".

14-11-33

December 10, 1935

Mr. Romoe Garrett
2014 North Robertson Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

My dear Sir:

Confirmation of your attendance at the Atlanta University summer school should be demanded of the registrar of the summer school. His name is John P. Whittaker, and he would be very glad to furnish you such a statement if you address him at Atlanta University.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

DR. CHARLES HERBERT GARVIN - 2321 EAST 55TH STREET - CLEVELAND - OHIO

14-23-71

November Twenty-Seventh
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My dear Dr. DuBois:

It was rather a pleasant surprise to hear from you again after a long period. Before I write concerning the matter referred to in your letter, I want to tell you just how much I enjoyed, and was edified by your recent new book.

I am very pleased to learn that you are considering going forward with the publication of an Encylopedia of the Negro. I shall be very glad to cooperate in any way that I can. I think the time has come for such a work, and shall be very glad to contribute articles on any of the following subjects:

1. The History of the Negro Doctor
2. The Negro Doctor in Medical Research
3. Disease Peculiarities of Black Folk

I suggest these subjects because I have already done some work on them, but I shall be glad to work up any kindred subjects you may suggest.

Best wishes for continued good health, and strength in your very important work for the Negro.

Very respectfully yours,

Chas. H. Garvin

Chas. H. Garvin

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

G/S

P. S. In one of your visits you promised me one of your photographs. I sought it on the basis of being a former student, and constant admirer.

Chas. H. Garvin

Southern Methodist University
Dallas, Texas

27 Nov., 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

(DEC)

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Replying to your courteous letter of the 15th instant, just received, I would say that the project of publishing an "Encyclopaedia of the Negro" has my cordial interest, and that if in any way I can serve to forward it, I shall be glad to do so to the limit of my ability.

I would be extremely glad if in the course of time I might prepare an article on the general subject of 'Biology and Biological Science in the Negro College', but I suspect that this would be rather in the nature of a paragraph in some longer, more general article. I have to prepare an article with that title for an early issue of the biological journal, "Bios"---an article that has been asked for almost a year. I would be glad to contribute without monetary compensation, as the mere fact of collaborating with you on this fine racial enterprise would be sufficient compensation.

14-26-31

This Encyclopaedia would be of very great help to all of us who are especially interested in the remarkable progress of the race during the last thirty years. Would you include biographies of some of the greatest Negro leaders? I have found the first and second editions of "Who's Who in Colored America" not very helpful---it leaves out too many in whose career I am interested, and includes too many whose work for the race does not, in my judgment, merit their inclusion. I have not seen, however, the third edition.

As an afterthought, I enclose a list of Negro Men of Science which last August I sent to AMERICAN MEN OF SCIENCE, 6th edition; and Dr. J. McK. Cattell, editor, tells me that blanks for filling-out have been sent to all of them, and that most of them will be included in the 6th edition.

Very respectfully,

H. W. Geise

Professor of Biology

Dr. Manfred Georg

Prague, November 20 th 1935
XII, Římská 42

Professor Du Bois Esq.

University of Atlanta

Dear Sir,

during my visit to the United States five years ago, I was very much interested in the questions of race, especially of the development and future of the Negros. Since that time I have never stopped considering that problem. Being a well known German author, but not a Hitlerian one, I intend now to study more intensively all these questions. A rekhown ed European editor wants to publish a book about the whole subject. This book will surely become very popular and will be written for the purpose of demonstrating Negro art, literature, politics,science and social struggle for life in the world.

14-13-1

Would you kindly let me know whether there is any chance in getting a subsidy from any Negro cultural associations which would enable me to visit U.S.A and to get in touch with Negro writers, artists and university people in order to study for about three or four months all the problems I am interested in.

As I cannot afford the journey myself I should be much obliged to you, if you would kindly give me your advices in this matter. Should you like to know more about my intentions and about myself I shall be pleased to furnish you with all the necessary references. I wrote a great number of novels, short-stories and biographies etc. For fifteen years I was chief -editor in Berlin. I am also member of the Pen Club. At present I am living in Czechoslovakia ,being correspondent of foreign newspapers.

Thanking you in anticipation for your trouble in this matter and hoping to get a soon reply from you, I remain, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully

Dr. Manfred Georg

December 10, 1935

Dr. Manfred Georg
Prague
XII, Rimská 42

14-13-2

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of November 20. I regret to say that the results of the depression have been such that I do not know of any organization among Negroes who would be able to help in your project, except possibly the universities. You might correspond with the presidents of the following institutions: Howard University, Washington, D. C., Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, Dillard University, New Orleans, Louisiana.

I am sorry not to be of greater assistance.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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FORT VALLEY, GA.

MR. THEODORE J. LEWIS,
1500 WALNUT ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Fort Valley, Georgia
July 19, 1935

14-20

Dear Mr. DuBois:

I am sending you a copy of a letter recently addressed to Miss Gay B. Shepperson, Relief Administrator for Georgia, which contains a number of matters important to the welfare of Negroes of Georgia.

You will find contained in it a statement or two which may be of interest to you in carrying out your plans for our group in this state.

We express to you our sincere thanks for your cooperation in the past and offer our organization to you for the furtherance of your plans in the future.

We should appreciate any statement from you at this time which might be released to the county and district units of our organization.

Yours very truly,

F. S. Horne

F. S. Horne, Chairman,
Planning Committee

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C O P Y

FORT VALLEY NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL
Fort Valley, Georgia

July 6,1935

Miss Gay B. Shepperson
Administrator, Georgia Emergency Relief Administration
Ten Forsyth St. Building
Atlanta,Georgia

My dear Miss Shepperson:

As Chairman of the Planning Committee of the Georgia Teachers and Educational Association, representing the 5705 Negro teachers in the State of Georgia, I am writing to offer the cooperation of our organization in the furthering of your plans for bringing all phases of relief to the most needy groups of people in our commonwealth.

You will note stated in the enclosed circular along with the program of our organization,the personnel of the state officers and standing committees. Included among these names you will find the most active educational spirits of our group who have made and are making a distinct contribution to the welfare of our children and consequently to the state of Georgia. Our organization works through a Planning Committee working out of an Executive Committee. The program and principles of the organization are carried out into the field through the organization of the counties of the state into 26 districts, each district having at its head a carefully chosen district president who acts as the spear-head in administering the program in those counties under his jurisdiction. It is the task of each district president to organize the county teachers under a county regent. Through this type of organization the officers and the Executive Committee may reach rapidly and efficiently into the counties having Negro schools.

Under the present administration, the organization has been revitalized until we feel it is at a stage now to offer definite cooperation to the plans of the state and federal agencies which are interested in the welfare of our people. Through this organization the officers and committees are able to keep in intimate touch with the needs and problems of our people throughout the entire state. Furthermore, this association is organized for the rapid spreading of information from the Planning Committee on down into the farthest corners of the state in a rapid and efficient manner. You will recall that it was through this organization that the set-up was first made last year for the carrying out of the emergency educational program among Negroes.

Furthermore, it so happens that this year two members of the Planning Committee, including the chairman, are members of the Planning Committee of the Georgia Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers. Together with the State President of this organization a definite plan for the close cooperation of these two organizations has been effected in the districts and counties in promoting the advancement of the joint programs of educational benefit for our people.

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We should bring this organization to your attention at this time so that you might realize that this organization can be of great aid to you when it comes to the disseminating of information, the checking on the needs for projects among Negroes and the extent to which they have been carried out, for the recommendation of names of individuals whom you might need for the carrying out of your program among our people and other services of like nature.

There are at least two matters of immediate importance. The first is that we understand that the present supervisor of the emergency educational program among Negroes will not be reemployed next year. We wish to emphasize the need for employing another Negro who is cognizant of the problems of Negroes throughout the state of Georgia and who could so cooperate with the Georgia Teachers and Educational Association as to most efficiently use this organization for helping in carrying on his plans, and to give him a contact with an organization for his own people to whom he could be responsible at least to some degree for the efficiency of his work. We believe too that he should be a person who is compatible with the best interests and the best thinking among the Negroes of this state. We should be happy to assist you in recommending to you several such persons for your consideration. Above all, we wish to establish the need of such a supervisor or supervisors. We feel that all work of this type by state and federal agencies suffered this year because the present supervisors did not use fully the facilities of this organization, nor were their activities in any way coordinated with or responsible to the only state-wide organization among Negroes now active.

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The second matter is in reference to the new Youth Administration about which we have seen some releases. We shall appreciate it if you would supply me, as Chairman of the Planning Committee, with any definite information in regard to this new project so that I might immediately put it into form to release to our district presidents and to city and county units.

We certainly wish to express to you and through you to the President of the Federal Government, and to Dr. Collins and Mr. Barrett and Miss FitzSimons, Mr. Woodward and to your entire staff, to Messrs Dixon, Cousins, Sheffer and Mobley, our sincere appreciation for your fairness inadministering the educational relief program among Negroes of our state and for your genuine interest in the complex and tremendous problems involved in the adjustment of Negro men, women and children to the sometimes discouraging economic and educational situation in which they are now placed. We shall continue to look to you with great hope and we hope that you will continue to look to us for the fullest cooperation with the furthering of your worthwhile program.

We shall be happy to hear from you as soon as possible in regard to the specific items referred to in this letter as well as any statement you would care to have us release at this time to our county and district organizations.

Yours very truly,

F. S. Horne
Chairman, Planning Committee

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Teachers & Educational Association

GEORGIA TEACHERS AND EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Mrs. M. Agnes Jones, President

November 20, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

The Georgia Teachers and Educational Association is sponsoring a series of educational meetings in its twenty-six districts throughout the state. It is our plan to bring before the teachers in these meetings leaders in the various fields of education.

We have taken the liberty of suggesting your name to the district presidents as the type of individual who can bring worthwhile information and stimulation to the teachers of the state.

You are invited to attend as many of these meetings as possible because we feel that by so doing you will contribute to the educational welfare of our people in the state of Georgia.

A list of the districts and of the dates of the meetings is enclosed for your convenience. The exact place and hour of these meetings will be brought to your attention later.

We earnestly solicit your cooperation with our efforts to improve the educational status of Georgia.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) M. Agnes, Jones, Pres.

By: F. S. Horne

F. S. Horne, Chairman
Planning Committe
Ft. Valley, Georgia

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[Enclosure]

GEORGIA STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

No.	District	Time of Meeting	Officials Attending
1.	Dalton	Mar. 21, 1936	1,3,5,8,11,13
2.	Dahlonega	Mar. 14, 1936	1,3,9
3.	Toccoa	Mar. 14, 1936	1,3,9
4.	Rome	Mar. 21, 1936	1,3,5,8,11,14
5.	Atlanta	Mar. 7, 1936	1-21 inc.
6.	Gainesville	Feb. 28, 1936	1,3,16,18,9
7.	Newnan	Jan. 17, 1936	3,8,11
8.	Covington	Dec. 13, 1935	3,9,16,20
9.	Athens	Jan. 10, 1936	1,3,18,20
10.	Washington	Feb. 21, 1936	3,4,7
11.	Sparta	Feb. 14, 1936	1,3,5,18
12.	Augusta	Jan. 24, 1936	1,2,4,6,10,21
13.	Columbus	Feb. 7, 1936	1,3,8,6,9,11
14.	Macon	Jan. 24, 1936	3,9,11,14
15.	Dublin	Dec. 13, 1935	2,6,7,14
16.	Statesboro	Dec. 13,1935	1,4,10,19
17.	Cuthbert	Feb. 7, 1936	2,12,13
18.	Americus	Jan. 31, 1936	1,5,6,8
19.	Cordele	Mar. 14, 1936	2,6,12,13
20.	Fitzgerald	Dec. 7, 1935	2,9,15,17
21.	Savannah	Feb. 14, 1936	2,4,10,15,17,21
22.	Bainbridge	Feb. 21, 1936	12,13,
23.	Pelham	Jan. 10, 1936	2,8,13,15,21
24.	Valdosta	Feb. 28, 1936	2,12,13,15
25.	Waycross	Jan. 17, 1936	1,2,9,10,19,21
26.	Brunswick	Jan. 31, 1936	2,10,15,17,19

NOTE: Districts 1 & 4 will meet together.
" 2 & 3 " " "

1. Mrs. M. Agnes Jones
City Hall, 10th Floor
Atlanta

2. L. L. Ison
Waycross

3. V. A. Edwards
22 Butler-Atlanta

4. R. W. Bulloch
22 Butler-Atlanta

5. W. Schell
22 Butler-Atlanta

6. F. S. Horne
Ft. Valley

7. Alva Tabor
Ft. Valley

8. C. V. DuVall
501-A 18th-Columbus

9. W. M. Hubbard
Forsyth

10. R. W. Gadsden
Broad St. Sch-Savannah

11. Mrs. S. F. Brown
Newnan

12. W. G. Smith
Thomasville

13. Mrs. A. E. Hutto
Bainbridge

14. Mrs. R. B. Gantt
329 Madison-Macon

15. J. W. Hubert
Cuyler High-Savannah

16. C. L. Harper
Washington Hi-Atlanta

17. Mrs. O. L. McIver
Haven Home-Savannah

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STATE MEETING AT AUGUSTA IN APRIL

1. DALTON DIST.
   Dade
   Walker
   Catoosa
   Whitfield
   Murray

2. DAHLONEGA DIST.
   Fannin
   Towns
   Union
   Lumpkin
   Gilmer
   Pickens
   Dawson

3. TOCCOA DIST.
   Rabun
   White
   Habersham
   Stephens
   Franklin
   Hart

4. ROME DIST.
   Chattoga
   Gordon
   Floyd
   Bartow
   Polk
   Haralson
   Paulding

5. ATLANTA DIST.
   Cherokee
   Forsyth
   Cobb
   Gwinnett
   Fulton
   DeKalb
   Clayton

6. GAINESVILLE DS.
   Hall
   Banks
   Jackson
   Madison

7. NEWNAN DIST.
   Carroll
   Douglas
   Heard
   Fayette
   Coweta
   Troup
   Meriwether
   Spalding
   Pike

8. COVINGTON
   Rockdale
   Newton
   Morgan
   Jasper
   Henry
   Butts

9. ATHENS DIST.
   Barrow
   Walton
   Oconee
   Clark
   Oglethorpe
   Greene

10. WASHINGTON
    Elbert
    Wilkes
    Lincoln

11. SPARTA DIST.
    Taliaferro
    Washington
    Warren
    Hancock
    Putnam
    Glascock

12. AUGUSTA DIST.
    McDuffie
    Columbia
    Richmond
    Jefferson
    Burke

13. COLUMBUS DIST.
    Talbot
    Harris
    Muscogee
    Marion
    Taylor
    Chattahoochee
    Upson

14. MACON DIST.
    Lamar
    Monroe
    Bibb
    Jones
    Baldwin
    Twiggs
    Crawford
    Peach
    Houston

15. DUBLIN DS.
    Wilkerson
    Laurens
    Johnson
    Emanuel
    Treutlen
    Wheeler
    Montgomery
    Dodge
    Bleckley

16. STATESBORO
    Jenkins
    Screven
    Candler
    Bulloch
    Evans
    Tattnall

17. CUTHBERT
    Stewart
    Quitman
    Webster
    Randolph
    Clay
    Calhoun

18. AMERICUS DS.
    Macon
    Schley
    Sumter
    Terrell
    Lee

26. BRUNSWICK DIST.
    McIntosh
    Glynn
    Camden

19. CORDELE DIST.
    Dooly
    Pulaski
    Crisp
    Wilcox
    Turner
    Tift
    Worth

20. FITZGERALD
    Telfair
    Ben Hill
    Jeff Davis
    Irwin
    Coffee
    Toombs

21. SAVANNAH
    Effingham
    Chatham
    Bryan
    Liberty
    Long

22. BAINBRIDGE
    Early
    Miller
    Seminole
    Decatur

23. PELHAM DIST.
    Dougherty
    Baker
    Mitchell
    Grady
    Colquitt
    Thomas

24. VALDOSTA
    Berrien
    Cook
    Lanier
    Brooks
    Lowndes
    Echols

25. WAYCROSS
    Appling
    Bacon
    Wayne
    Pierce
    Brantley
    Charlton
    Ware
    Atkinson
    Clinch

CODE TO OFFICIALS (continued)

18. M. N. Connell
    Washington High-Atlanta

19. C. V. Troup
    Brunswick

20. Miss B. E. Usher
    David T. Howard School-Atlanta

21. Mrs. Genevieve G. Gaines
    307 South St-Albany

[1935]

GEORGIA TEACHERS AND EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION
"A New Deal for the Negro School Child"

What is the Need for An Organization of Teachers in Georgia Schools for Negroes?

The State Superintendent's report for the school year, 1933-34, includes the following facts about public school children:

1. White children had 784 consolidated schools while Negro children had only 18.
2. The state spent $1,270,859.83 for the transportation of white children to public schools and spent only $7,189.20 for Negro children.
3. Of the 14,378 white teachers, only 830 or 5.7% are without state certificates. Of the 5705 Negro teachers, 2785 or 48% are without state certificates.
4. The average white elementary teacher receives an annual salary of $594.50 while the salary for Negro teachers is $249.21.
5. White children went to only 634 one-teacher schools while Negro children attended 2536 one-teacher schools.
6. White children made up 60% of the elementary school population and 88% of the high school population while Negro children made up 40% of the elementary school group, but dropped to only 12% of the high school group.

The weight of this disparity and inefficiency becomes an tremendous obstacle in the path of every Negro child. It multiplies his handicaps and renders it impossible for him to get started abreast with other children. The task of the Georgia Teachers and Educational Association is to narrow the gap between these two extremes in equipment facilities, in professional qualifications and in salary schedules.

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SUPREME
LIBERTY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

HOME OFFICE: SUPREME LIBERTY LIFE BUILDING
3511 SOUTH PARKWAY
CHICAGO, ILL.

December 3, 1935

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

Acknowledging the receipt of your letter of recent date with reference to the publishing of an Encyclopedia of the Negro, I write to advise you of my interest and willingness to co-operate in any way in which you think I might be helpful.

Very truly yours,

T.K. Gibson
Chairman

TKG:GBM

Roscoe C. Giles, M. D.
3541 S. State St.
Chicago, Ill.

14-23-77

November 29, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Please pardon my delay in answering your letter of November 11.

I think the plan of having an Encyclopaedia of the Negro is a most excellent one. I shall be very pleased to co-operate with you in any way that I possibly can. I am willing to contribute any articles on the subjects for which I am qualified. If my services will be required in this matter, I would appreciate being informed sufficiently long enough ahead for the reason that for the past several years I have been taking work in the Graduate School of Medicine at the University of Chicago, and this, together with my recent election as President-Elect of the National Medical Association, will require a great deal of my time.

I am of the opinion that for such a work probably the most suitable subject would be a compilation of some of the outstanding men in the medical profession together with their contributions to the art and science of medicine. Traveling about the country I have become quite familiar with the work of a number of men, and owing to the fact that no publication exists such as you are contemplating, their achievements are little known even to the members of our own Race.

I think also that an article on Negro mortality and morbidity would be very interesting, and would suggest a man such as Dr. Paul Cornley, professor of Public Health and Hygiene of Howard University. Dr. Cornley is a graduate of the University of Michigan and is very well qualified. A history of the Howard and Meharry Medical Colleges is another suggestion. The insurance companies of our group would make an interesting article. Dr. M. O. Bousfield of the Julius Rosenwald Fund has at hand a number of interesting facts on this subject. Negro housing conditions from both the sociological and medical aspects would be very interesting. These are simply a few that come to my mind at the present time. I am sure that others will suggest themselves.

Assuring you of my very deep interest in your proposal, I am

Yours very truly,

Roscoe C. Giles M D

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Roscoe C. Giles, M.D.

REV. EDWARD F. GOIN, D.D.
MINISTER

"COMMUNITY BETTERMENT"

ELIZABETH HERB
SOCIAL WORKER

14-23-30

THE DIXWELL AVENUE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
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NEW HAVEN, CONN.

November 27, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My Dear Dr. DuBois,

Your letter of the 12th.inst. has been received. Would say in reply that I am much interested in the plan to put out an, "Encyclopaedia of the Negro." My feeling is that there is a real need for such a work.

I note your question as to whether I would be willing to contribute a short article. My work through the years has been so general in character both in the Church and in the field of social service that I do not feel I can speak as a specialist in either field. However the effort has my sympathy and best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

Edward F. Goin

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHAPEL HILL

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 26, 1935

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. Bu Bois:

I wish to thank you for your letter. I am much interested in your proposal. I have referred your letter to the Director of the Press, Professor Guy Johnson, and Dr. Odum for their consideration and advice.

Without special competence for judgment, I would personally be favorable to such a publication and would like to own such an encyclopaedia. I will be glad to give you the advice of the three persons upon whom I have called.

With all good wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

Frank P. Graham

Frank P. Graham
President

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THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA PRESS · CHAPEL HILL·N·C

November 19, 1935

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President Frank P. Graham
The University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill

Dear President Graham:

My feeling is that in spite of the much improved state of our knowledge concerning the Negro, a great deal of original investigation needs to be done before any encyclopaedia can be written. For instance, the whole question of African origins and of African influences in this country has been almost untouched. I could mention a number of extremely important subjects which no one is qualified to discuss competently and on which special investigation would need to be made for at least five or ten years before any really scholarly opinions could be said to exist.

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I may be entirely wrong on this, but in my opinion it is extremely important that any encyclopaedia on the Negro--especially if published under the auspices of Negroes--be done in accordance with the highest standards of scholarship, and that it not be attempted until a sound basis has been laid for it.

I would suggest that you ask Mr Guy Johnson and Mr Odum about this.

Sincerely yours,

W. T. Couch

W. T. Couch
Director

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INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHAPEL HILL

December 4, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR PRESIDENT GRAHAM:

14-26-26

With reference to the Encyclopaedia of the Negro about which you had an inquiry from Professor W. E. B. Du Bois of Atlanta University: Both Dr. Guy Johnson and myself are sending in our vote in the affirmative. That is, we agree with the group that the time has come when some authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro race in the form of an Encyclopaedia is in demand.

Cordially yours,

HWO-m

HOWARD W. ODUM.
Director

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Reed College
Portland, Oregon
October 14, 1935

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

14-26-38

There is no doubt whatsoever in my mind as to the timliness of an Encyclopedia of the Negro such as you are planning. Some such work was needed for a long time and in view of the present African situation it might prove easier to corral the necessary contributors than would have been the case normally.

As to my own cooperation you may of course dispose of whatever spare time I may find at your own discretion. It occurs to me that it might be feasible to have me do a general article on African Negro cultures comprising all of its phases, historical development, economic and industrial conditions, religion, art, mythology and folklore, law and social and political systems. Such an article properly equipped with distribution maps would have to run to some length, let us say 8 to 10,000 words. But then we shall have the essential data on the homeland of the Negro all compactly tucked away in one place.

I suppose you have already written to Professor Melville Herskovitz of Western Reserve or intend to do so. He is, of course, our leading authority on the American Negro, physical, at least among the younger men, and he should also be available for an article on the physical anthropology of the African Negro.

In any case you may count on my wholehearted support whenever your plan materializes.

Yours very sincerely,

Alexander Goldenweiser

AG:BK

221 No. Main Street
Oberlin, Ohio
January 3, 1935.

Dr. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

14-15-3

I believe I mentioned in one of my letters to you that I was doing a great deal of my outside work under the eminent music-historian, Edward Dickinson. While our connection began with purely academic interests, it has grown to include many other things, for Dr. Dickinson, even as you yourself, is much more than a scholar.

Right now he has talked over with me the difficulties of a young man in whom he is deeply interested. He has assisted this young Negro through getting his master's degree in Psychology from Western Reserve University. While there his protegee made an excellent record and he is justly very proud of him. He did receive an appointment immediately upon finishing last June, but it seems that now the school is facing financial disaster.

When Dr. Dickinson asked my advice I immediately thought of you, not only as being a leader in the field of Social Sciences, but as one who is ever interested in the progress of young Negroes. I do not personally know Mr. Charles Collins, but I feel certain the high recommendations of those who do offer him as being worthy of consideration for any opening you might know of in his line. Dr. Dickinson asked me to enclose this copy of a letter written to him from one of Mr. Collin's professors.

Sincerely,

Shirley Graham

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-15-4

January 7, 1935

Miss Shirley Graham
221 North Main Street
Oberlin, Ohio

My dear Miss Graham:

I do not know any opening for a man in psychology. It is only now and then that news of openings come to me. I will, however, pass the letter on to President Hope.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

221 No. Main Street
Oberlin, Ohio
May 16, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Box 365
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-15-5

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Will you do me the honor of accepting a copy of my thesis "The Survivals of Africanism in Modern Music"? I am sending it to you not because of the excellence of the work, it falls so far short of what I had intended, but because you have so definitely been the inspiration and moving force in this type of endeavor. This is really only an indication of what I hope to do. I shall be so happy if, in it, you can find anything worthy of your own efforts as they are bearing fruit in we who follow.

Sincerely,

Shirley Graham

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 22, 1935

14-15-9

Miss Shirley Graham
221 North Main Street
Oberlin, Ohio

My dear Miss Graham:

It was very kind indeed of you to send me a copy of your thesis. I shall use it in my library and classes and I am so glad that you have done this very fine piece of work.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

1025 No. Kennedy Street
Kokomo, Indiana
September 9, 1935.

14-15-18

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Box 356
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have just finished reading "Black Reconstruction". Words cannot express how thrilled I am. Every line, every word filled me and inspired me with the determination to be, to give, to dream only the best.

Last June I was appointed head of a department of Fine Arts and Music History in A. & I. State College, Nashville. This is the youngest of our colleges, one still green with growing. I believe that I am going to have the opportunity for real constructive work. It would seem that President Hale is a man who dreams dreams and sees visions and that it is going to be a joy and privilege to work with him.

While I was in New York last week attending the National Association of Negro Musicians Mr. Kemper Herrold expressed a desire to read my thesis. I took the liberty of telling him that you had a copy and he said that he would ask you to let him see it. I should appreciate this very much as a leisurely reading this summer revealed to me several mistakes in copying. I have asked him to make the corrections in your copy.

This fall the Etude Music Magazine accepted an article which I called "Spirituals to Symphonies." It will be published some time this winter. May I ask you to look at my little offering in the poetry section of the September "Crisis"? You see, I am quite consciously working for your approval.

Should you visit Nashville any time this winter, please allow me the privilege of calling on you.

Sincerely,

Shirley Graham

228 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 16, 1935

Miss Shirley Graham
1025 North Kennedy Street
Kokomo, Indiana

14-15-19

My dear Miss Graham:

Thank you so much for your kind words concerning my book. I am glad to hear that you are going to be in Nashville. You will find difficulties there, but go slowly and watch your surroundings. I shall let Mr. Herrold see a copy of your thesis.

I shall certainly see you if I come to Nashville and if you come to Atlanta, please let me know.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

A & I State College
Nashville, Tennessee
October 30, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

At the end of the summer, a short time before I came here you wrote, "you will find difficulties in Nashville". How did you know so well?

14-15-8

This is a voice crying out in the wilderness. Difficulties! I am stifling, I am strangling. I am not a weakling. My father and mother were missionaries in Africa. I have been reared into a life of service. I am not afriad of hard work. But I cannot go into a cafeteria and push and shove my way to a table, grab food from under other frantic hands, fight my way to a seat. Rather I stand back until the anxious mob is served, I look at my watch, see that I shall be late for class and put down my tray. The other teachers laugh at me in a good natured, tolerant sort of way. They think I'm a fool. No doubt I am. This is only an example of one of the little things. They say I'll get use to these things. I look at them, I listen to them and my whole soul sickens. I'd rather die than be exactly what they are.

What is the matter with me? There are over a thousand students here. The things that we are doing to them are criminal. They are asking for food. We are giving them stones. Surely all of our schools arn't like this. Surely some place they want a teacher who has something to teach, who is anxious to teach, who loves to teach. Not that anybody is complaining about my work. Everybody is satisfied - except me. I'm teaching Fine Arts, French, Orchestration, Piano. I came here to build up a department in Music History. When I found that I was to teach Fine Arts I went back to Oberlin this summer and contacted all the best possible sources for material. (I had minored in Fine Arts.) Now, I'm ashame to write them.

You will forgive me for writing you this way. I can't talk to anyone. My classes are very large and there is no time even to see people in the city to whom I might talk. Both President Jones and Mrs. Napier have invited me to their homes, but every moment is taken up here. I wouldn't mind even that so much if I were only doing something. I'm not. Most of the things I'm doing could be done by any high school graduate. Somehow, I feel that you will understand and care a little bit. That in itself will help me.

Sincerely,

Shirley Graham

November 1, 1935

Miss Shirley Graham
A. & I. State College
Nashville, Tennessee

14-15-7

My dear Miss Grahams

You picked a very difficult place to start teaching, but stick it out for a year and do good work, and in the meantime, look around.

I am hoping to come to Nashville December 31 and to be there at the Alpha Phi Alpha meeting January 1st. I shall try to see you while I am there and discuss some things which had better not be written.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

A. & I. State College
Nashville, Tennessee
November 8, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-15-9

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Thank you more than I can say for your kind letter of November 4th.

I shall follow your advice and do my best to build well so that when you come you will see that I have something tangible upon which to stand. I plan to go away during the Christmas vacation, but if you are to be in Nashville, I shall certainly return by December 31st.

Sincerely,

Shirley Graham

EN ROUTE
PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

14-15-15

December 22, 1935

My dear Dr. DuBois,

I am on my way to New York to spend just a few days. I shall return to Nashville the 29th. Will you drop me a line telling me when and how I may get in touch with you on the thirtieth? Our school resumes work that day and

I shall be in the classroom and office until five o'clock when we have dinner. Should you phone me don't pay any attention to a response that I am out. Insist that you know I am on the campus. Most telephone messages go astray.

I am looking forward to your coming with the highest anticipation.

Accept my best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely

Shirley Graham

[1935?]

Friday Morning — 6 A.M.

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My dear Dr. Du Bois,

"To part is to die a little".

I pushed this thought from my mind so deliberately last night as I dashed around doing this and that. I even smiled quite gayly as I looked back at you standing in the middle of the room with the light shining above your head.

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But this morning when I awoke knowing that right now you are leaving, when I see you climbing into the car and turning your back upon Nashville as you set out on the highway — I realize truly that "To part is to die a little".

Yet, had you not come I should not have had this pain to hug to my heart — a pain which is like the fragrance of Benediction.

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Its morning — another day. The gods have been so good to me. Surely now they will not hide their faces from me. Surely now they will be merciful.

I send you my grateful love.

— Shirley Graham

[1935?]

Indianapolis, Ind.
Saturday Evening

Dear Dr. Du Bois

I am waiting here at station for my train to take me home. My father has had a stroke and it is feared is dying. It is my poor mother who needs all the strength and courage I can give her.

I know my father is all right. He is

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strong and serene and
sure. He will
die as he has lived —
valiantly.

— Shirley Graham

211 North Street
Crawfordsville, Ind.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Thank you for your letter of recent date concerning the projected "Encyclopaedia of the Negro." I agree with you thoroughly that there is an urgent need of an authoritative collection of information on the Negro, in encyclopaedic form.

I shall be very glad to contribute such an article as you feel falls within my province. I am principally interested in the implications of the labor movement as they concern the Negro, and the activities of Negroes in organized labor bodies.

Please send me further information, at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

L. B. Granger

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L. B. Granger
Secretary, Workers' Bureau

ENDORSED BY NATIONAL INFORMATION BUREAU

c/o American Consulate General
Lima
Perú

Today - January 2nd 1935
at sea - between Rio
and Buenos Aires

Dear Th. Du Bois

I found your letter waiting for
me in Bahia.

I am much interested in your
idea of making a book of your
articles. Concerning Buell in the
New Republic in July, 1933 he
added - and Hall-Quest in The
Nation! And mine! I think
I included what now I see as
the two evidences of Firestone duplicity
in his employing him as his lawyer
when he was the man condemned
by the League's commission - and
~~included~~ the telegram sent by the

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Barclay - president in January guilty of the misdemeanour of which Klaus was proved guilty in September. The Commission's report was dated September, 1930 - and this telegram of Sept said it was in January 1931. I think this is the most complete documentary evidence of the collusion of the state Department and Firestone. I think the public should know just this. - Jan -

State Department - in which the date of the publishing of the first communication to us to make the public believe report was deliberately changed. I am writing to Mr. Quinn also. I had a long letter from him just before I left Sept. 1930 Bello Horizonte. I have no copy of my article with me. It was published only in Monrovia. I will ask Mr. Quinn to send you a copy. But haven't you a typewritten copy? I think it was. I know at Fisk. Could all the articles with an introduction and a resumé of conditions up to date be published the resumé being written by you?

I have just read (I had great trouble in getting it - because it was out of print. It was sent me here) George W. Ellis's "Negro Culture in West Africa". It is an extraordinarily interesting book. Is Mr. Ellis he still living? If he is he should certainly be asked to contribute. Frederick Starr wrote an article in "Unity" in 1931 - I think which might be added. I thought it very good.

I like Mrs. Hedges extremely. I love and admire my own sister - she was a

missionary for five years in Alaska
and [illegible] in the Philippines - and is the widow
of the late Bp of the Spirit of Missions
(the Episcopal Church) and spends
her entire time speaking for missionary groups.
But my love and admiration does not
keep me from thinking her unseeing:
Bradley still thinks it possible to put
new wine in old bottles. I don't. I think
it is absolutely necessary to expose the
holes in the bottles. She doesn't. Bradley
thinks she can impress - Lord Cecil for
instance. I think it not unlikely. She can
charm him for she is charming & his charming one
white in his attitude toward Liberia became
of any one's charm - that I do not believe.
You might as well expect England & Spain
to open raisin in India a diamond mine in
Kimberley: because of - persuasion!!

Have you read "Negro Anthology" ed.
by Nancy Cunard? I have read it from
just published it today
cover to cover - and think most of it
extraordinarily good. Have you read "Fleur
de Noir" by Magdalen Pay?

What would happen if Liberia appealed

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to the Communist Party & help her
Sovietize herself - and joined the
Union of Socialist Soviet Republics !!!!!
Think of England's entry! World the
alliance with the Soviets would be so popular
in France?! I think it would be
glorious! Don't you? Perhaps really I am
more a Communist than a Communist
Faithfully yours However I should
Anna M. Grave be very
happy if
my one miracle hitler could do that
The outcome might be disastrous - but not
more disastrous than the fate that
awaits her if Capitalism continues. The
Statistics in The Week Mean is killing Africa
the last article in Nancy Cunard's "Negro"
are so appalling that one almost wishes for
a comet to finish it all quickly. It is almost
impossible to live on living knowing that such
agony exists - and that one is at the same time
eating - sleeping - laughing playing. I read it
yesterday - and felt very much as Tolstoy did
after he had visited the night lodging house
of the vagrants - and that was nothing.

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29 rue Fort Barreau
Genève Switzerland

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Oct. 15-1935

Dear W. Du Bois

Please read this. and if it convinces you please give it as wide publicity as possible. I believe the British diplomat the most 2affiné of all. Hoare seems to have bamboozled Litvinoff. and Stalin. Do you remember Hardy's "Dynasts"? The Spirits of Irony must be chuckling in the skies. at the idea of the U. S. S. R. Standing by the British Empire!!!

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The British have known Mussolini's sore spot. The old defeat by Abyssinia. and their Mussolini makes have seen to it. that the sore spot was kept raw. They knew the inevitable result. (Known Mussolini's psychology). if keeping that spot raw. and the result was just what they wished. all the blame will be put on Mussolini. but they will get Abyssinia. or all of it they wish. If Mussolini was let stroke alone. the Ethiopians could probably defeat him again. and Fascism would crumble at home. but the Imperialists don't want that. They would'nt mind Italy having Abyssinia. Capitalists and Imperialists can usually arrange among themselves. as in China. but they don't want Mussolini to be defeated by an African people. They want Abyssinia. Try I warn

the American Negroes [illegible] that Hitler in the League is trusting in the British Empire! Divide and Subject. is as old as Ramses. probably. & the British are the past masters in white washing [illegible]. Just trust them when they seem to protect with their sword. as now than you would the greek bearing gifts. If you remember La Touchere's comment on Gladstone. He said: "All politicians play with a card up their sleeve. & one Gladstone said: 'The Lord put it there.' Those who pretend virtue. successfully. are most to be feared. Here politicians. Abyssinia has asked wolves (all the more dangerous because they wear sheep's clothing) to protect her from a dog. She might defend

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defend herself from the day. It she won't join the wolves.

Faithfully your friend

Anna Graves.

P.S. I am afraid that Fiske has been liberal after all.

Report Every Accident!

Immediately!—No matter how slight!

Failure to do so may jeopardize the company's interests, and render your insurance void. If accident is serious, telephone or telegraph at our expense.

Get names and addresses of all witnesses. The accident may not be your fault, but without witnesses it cannot be proven.

Great American
Indemnity Company
New York

HOME OFFICE ONE LIBERTY STREET
NEW YORK CITY

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF AN ACCIDENT

STOP! Render aid, secure names and addresses of witnesses, also license numbers of each car involved. Make notes of position of each car, the time, condition of road, exact extent of damage, etc. Draw a rough diagram. If you injure a person render necessary first aid.

Get names and addresses of witnesses before they leave the scene of accident.

All accidents must be reported immediately. Seemingly unimportant ones require prompt attention in order to avoid serious results later.

WHAT NOT TO DO

1. **Don't run away from the scene of accident.**
2. **Don't talk, and do not admit responsibility.**
3. **Don't state that you are insured.**
4. **Don't fail to report every accident no matter how trivial it may seem.**
5. **Don't speed.**
6. **Don't approach an intersection without slowing down enough so that you can come to a dead stop if necessary.**
7. **Don't take a chance!**

Short Rate Cancellation Table

Days in Effect	Per cent. of Annual Prem.
1	2
2	4
3	5
4	6
5	7
6	8
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9	10
10	10
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70	36
75	37
80	38
85	39
90	40
105	45
120	50
135	55
150	60
165	65
180	70
195	73
210	75
225	78
240	80
255	83
270	85
285	88
300	90
315	93
330	95
360	100

IN THE EVENT OF CANCELLATION

Date of Cancellation.....

Date of Policy.....

Period in Force.....

Pro Rata Decimal..... } Earned
or
Short Rate Percentage.....% } Earned

Why Cancelled.....

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Rewritten under Policy No.....

Premium

	Original	Earned	Returned
P. L.			
P. D.			
Collision			
Drive other Car			
TOTAL			

[Great American Indemnity Co.]

No. M. 639731

Perfection Automobile Policy

Expires at 12:01 A. M. March 27th, 1936

Named Assured Dr. W.E.B. DuBois

Atlanta, Georgia.

Car Insured 1932 Willys Knight Sed

Premium 46.00

Great American Indemnity Company New York

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INSURANCE
GRANT BUILDING TELEPHONE WALNUT 4029
ATLANTA, GA.

PLEASE READ YOUR POLICY

(A STOCK COMPANY)

Great American Indemnity Company New York

(Herein Called the Company)

IN CONSIDERATION of the premium and the Declarations herein and subject to the Provisions herein,
AS RESPECTS accidents sustained or alleged to have been sustained within the limits of the United States of America or Canada, while this Policy is in force, by reason of the ownership or maintenance of the automobile and the use thereof as disclosed in the Declarations,
AGREES with the Named Assured for such of the following Insuring Clauses as are specifically covered in the premium table of the Declarations, as follows:

PUBLIC LIABILITY (Insuring Clause 1)

TO PAY all sums which the Assured shall become liable to pay as damages imposed by law arising out of bodily injuries (and loss of services incidental thereto), including death at any time resulting therefrom, to any person;

PROPERTY DAMAGE (Insuring Clause 2)

TO PAY all sums which the Assured shall become liable to pay for damages imposed by law on account of damage to property of others, including the loss of use of such property, excluding however property of others in the custody of the Assured, rented by the Assured or carried by the automobile;

COLLISION (Insuring Clause 3)

TO PAY for damage to the automobile, including the operating equipment attached thereto, if caused by collision with any object or by upset, but only for the amount of each separate loss, when determined, in excess of the deductible sum stated in the Declarations, and excluding all damage (a) caused either directly or indirectly by fire, theft, larceny, robbery, pilferage, tornado, cyclone, windstorm, hail, earthquake, explosion or water damage, (b) to any special body of unusual design unless specifically described in the Declarations, and (c) to any tire unless caused in an accidental collision which also damages the automobile;

DRIVE OTHER CARS (Insuring Clause 4)

TO EXTEND the coverages under Insuring Clauses 1 and 2 to apply while the Named Assured who is the owner of the automobile described in the Declarations is riding in or driving any other private passenger automobile or motorcycle with the permission of any person having the right to grant such permission, except an automobile or motorcycle (1) owned in whole or in part by or registered in the name of such owner or any member of his household, (2) furnished such owner for his regular use by his employer, or by any other person or organization, or (3) hired by the assured. Such coverage shall not extend to the benefit of any owner of an automobile which the assured is riding in or driving.

Provision H, Other Insurance, is eliminated as respects coverage under this Insuring Clause, and it is agreed that if there exists, at the time of the accident, any insurance taken out by or effected on behalf of any one other than the assured and under the terms of which the assured is entitled to protection and coverage, then the coverage under this Insuring Clause shall be excess insurance over and above the amount of such other valid and collectible insurance;

DEFENSE

TO DEFEND in the name and on behalf of the Assured any claims or suits, even if groundless, brought against the Assured to recover damages on account of accidents covered herein, and to furnish release of attachment or appeal bonds (or pay the premium thereon), for an amount commensurate with the limit of coverage hereunder, in connection with such suits;

COSTS

TO PAY, irrespective of limits of liability herein mentioned, all costs taxed against the Assured in any legal proceeding defended by the Company, all expenses incurred by the Company for investigation, adjustment and defense, all interest accruing after entry of judgment until the Company has paid, tendered, or deposited in Court, such part of such judgment as does not exceed the limit of the Company's liability thereon, also all expenses incurred by the Assured in the event of bodily injury to others for such immediate medical and surgical relief as is imperative at the time of injury.

This Agreement is subject to the following Provisions:

Limits

A. Regardless of the number of Assureds involved the Company's limit of liability, applied separately to each automobile insured, for all loss from an accident resulting in bodily injuries to or the death of any one person is limited to the sum stated in the Premium Table Declaration, Public Liability division, sub-division (1), and subject to the same limit for one person the Company's total liability for loss from any one accident, or series of accidents arising from one and the same cause, resulting in bodily injuries to or the death of more than one person is limited to the sum stated in sub-division (2) of said Public Liability division, and the Company's total liability under Insuring Clause 2 as a result of any one accident, or series of accidents arising from one and the same cause, is limited to the sum stated in the Premium Table Declaration, Property Damage division.

The Company's liability under Insuring Clause 3 is limited to the intrinsic value of the property damaged at the time of its damage or the cost of its suitable repair or replacement and the Company may elect as to whether it will repair or replace the damaged property or pay in money the intrinsic value of the property to the Assured and to the mortgagee or holder of notes as their interest may appear.

Additional Assureds

B. The term "Named Assured" shall apply only to the Assured named in Declaration No. 1, but the term "Assured" shall include also (1) the legal representatives of the Named Assured, in the event of his death, insolvency or bankruptcy, provided written notice is given the Company within thirty days thereafter, (2) the widow and next of kin in the event of the Named Assured's death, provided written notice is given the Company within thirty days thereafter, (3) any person or organization (except an automobile factory, repair shop, public garage, sales agency, or agents or employees thereof and except the purchaser or assignee of the automobile) using, or responsible for the use of, the automobile other than an automobile rented or hired to others or used to carry passengers for a monetary consideration (except that if such person or organization be a funeral director then the term "Assured" shall include such person or organization also), provided such use is with the permission of the Named Assured or, if the Named Assured is an individual, with the permission of an adult member of his household, other than a chauffeur or a domestic servant, or with the permission of an Assured qualifying under clause (1) or (2) in this paragraph.

Exclusions

C. This Policy does not cover (1) any obligations imposed upon or assumed by any Assured under any Workmen's Compensation law, plan or agreement, (2) for bodily injuries or death sustained by the Named Assured or by any employee of any Assured during the course of his employment other than a domestic servant whose duties do not include the operation or repair of any automobile, (3) while the automobile is being driven in any race or speed test or by any person under the age fixed by state law, or under the age of 14 years in any event, or while rented or hired to others or being used to carry passengers for a monetary consideration, (4) while the automobile is being used to tow or propel any trailer not insured herein, or while any trailer insured herein is being towed or propelled by any vehicle not insured by this Company, (5) any liability voluntarily assumed by the Assured.

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(Provisions Continued)

Notice of Accidents

D. In the event of accident, written notice shall be given by or on behalf of the Assured to the Company or any of its authorized agents as soon as is reasonably possible, irrespective of whether any personal injury or property damage is apparent at the time. If claim is made or suit is brought against the Assured, the Assured shall immediately forward to the Company every demand, notice, summons or other process received by him or his representative. The Company reserves the right to settle any claim or suit. Whenever requested by the Company, the Assured shall aid, except in a pecuniary way, in effecting settlements, securing information and evidence, the attendance of witnesses, and in prosecuting appeals. The Assured shall in no manner aid or abet the claimant but shall co-operate fully with the Company in the defense of said claim or suit. Except as herein provided for first aid and salvage, the Assured shall not voluntarily assume any liability settle any claim or incur any expense except at his own cost, or interfere in any negotiations for settlement or legal proceedings, without the consent of the Company previously given in writing.

The Company shall have reasonable time and opportunity to examine any damaged automobile or the equipment covered under Insuring Clause 3 before repairs are undertaken or physical evidence of the damage removed, but the Named Assured shall not be prejudiced hereunder by any act in his behalf undertaken for the protection or salvage of the damage automobile or equipment.

Right of Recovery

E. No action shall lie against the Company to recover for any loss and/or expense resulting from any claim or claims upon the assured for damages and claims to be covered by this policy, unless it shall be brought to recover for loss and/or expense, the amount of which shall have been definitely determined (a) by final judgment after trial of the issue in an action against the assured, or (b) by agreement of the parties made with the written consent of the Company; nor, in either event, unless it shall be brought within two years after such determination.

Bankruptcy or Insolvency of Assured

F. Bankruptcy or insolvency of the Assured shall not relieve the Company of any of its obligations hereunder. If any person or his legal representatives shall obtain final judgment against the Assured because of any such injuries, and execution thereon is returned unsatisfied by reason of bankruptcy, insolvency or any other cause, or if such judgment is not satisfied within thirty days after it is rendered, then such person or his legal representatives may proceed against the Company to recover the amount of such judgment, either at law or in equity, but not exceeding the limit of this Policy applicable thereto.

Subrogation

G. In case of payment of loss or expense under this Policy, the Company shall be subrogated to all of the Assured's rights of recovery to the extent of such payment and the Assured shall execute all papers required and shall co-operate with the Company to secure such rights.

Other Insurance

H. If the Named Assured carries other insurance covering concurrently a loss covered by this Policy he shall not recover from the Company a larger proportion of any such loss than the sum hereby insured bears to the whole amount of valid insurance applicable. If any Assured other than the Named Assured is covered by other valid and collectible insurance against a loss covered hereby, such Assured shall have no insurance under this Policy.

Cancellation

I. This policy may be cancelled at any time by the Named Assured at his request, in which case the Company shall, upon demand, refund the excess of premium paid by the Named Assured above the earned premium calculated in accordance with the customary short rate table. This Policy may be cancelled at any time by the Company by written notice mailed to the Named Assured at the address given in the Policy stating when not less than five days from the date of such notice such cancellation shall be effective, with or without tender of excess of premium paid by the Named Assured above the pro rata earned premium for the expired time, which excess if not tendered, shall be refunded on demand. Notice of cancellation shall state that said excess premium (if not tendered) will be refunded on demand. In every case the check of the Company, or of its authorized agent, mailed to the Named Assured at the address given in the Policy, shall be sufficient tender of any unearned premium. Delivery of such written notice by the Company shall be equivalent to mailing and whether such notice be mailed or delivered cancellation shall be effective at the date and hour of cancellation stated in the notice.

Statutes

J. Any specific statutory provision in force in the State in which it is claimed that the Assured is liable for any such loss as is covered hereby shall supersede any provision in this Policy inconsistent therewith.

Financial Responsibility

K. This Policy is hereby amended to conform to the requirements of the so-called Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Law of any State or Province in which the automobile is registered or is being operated at the time of the accident, as respects any liability for bodily injury or death or liability for property damage covered by this Policy, to the extent of the coverage and the limits of liability required by said Law but in no event in excess of the limits of liability stated in this Policy. As between the Assured and the Company, this provision shall not be construed to waive any of the conditions of this Policy and if the Company shall be obliged to pay and shall pay a loss which it would not have been obliged to pay except for the terms of this provision, then the Assured shall reimburse the Company to the extent of such payment.

Inspection

L. The Company shall be permitted at any reasonable time to inspect the automobile.

Appraisal

M. In the event of loss or damage under Insuring Clause 3, the amount of loss or the nature and extent of damage requiring repair or replacement may be determined between the parties hereto, if possible, otherwise by two appraisers, one to be chosen by the Named Assured and one by the Company. The two appraisers so chosen, if they are not able to agree, may select a third, and the award in writing of any two of the appraisers shall determine (1) the nature and extent of damage requiring repair or replacement and (2) the amount of such loss. The Company and the Named Assured shall pay their respective appraisers, and shall bear equally the other expenses of appraisal. The Company may accomplish the repair or replacement so determined, by such means as it may elect, or, at the option of the Company, pay in money the amount of loss fixed by the appraisers.

Changes

N. No officer, agent or other representative of the Company shall have power to waive any of the terms of this policy unless such waiver be written upon or attached hereto; nor shall any privilege or permission affecting the insurance under this Policy exist or be claimed by the Assured unless so written or attached.

Declarations

O. The answers to the Declarations are true, or, if estimates only, are believed to be true. This Policy is issued upon such answers and in consideration of the provisions of the Policy respecting its premium together with the payment of the premium herein expressed.

Automobile Defined

P. Wherever in this Policy the word "automobile" is used, it shall be held to mean the motor vehicle or trailer described herein; and when two or more automobiles are insured hereunder, the terms of this Policy apply separately to each.

New Car Coverage

Q. If the Named Assured declares in the Declarations that all automobiles owned by him are described in the Declarations, this policy is extended to cover, for a pro rata premium charge, any motor vehicle of the type described in the policy (i.e., private passenger, commercial, bus), purchased by the Named Assured during the policy period and used for the purposes described in the policy, provided the Named Assured notifies the company within ten days of purchase.

Otherwise, this policy is extended to cover any motor vehicle of the type described in the policy, purchased by the Named Assured during the policy period, and used for the purposes described, provided (1) such newly purchased motor vehicle replaces a motor vehicle described in the policy, (2) coverage for the replaced motor vehicle terminates as of the date of purchase of the new motor vehicle and (3) the Named Assured notifies the company within ten days of purchase.

In Witness Whereof, the Great American Indemnity Company, *by its President and its Vice-President and Secretary, has executed these presents, but this Policy shall not be valid unless countersigned by an authorized representative of the Company and then valid only for the term stated in the Declarations.*

Vice-President and Secretary

President.

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Policy No. M 639731

Countersigned at Atlanta, Ga. OBERDORFER INSURANCE AGENCY, INC. AGENTS
BY: DONALD OBERDORFER, AUTHORIZED LOCAL AGENT
PER: _____ CLERK
Agent (Type Name)

.....Signature

Former Policy No. .....

.....Producer (Type Name)

Declarations

1. Named Assured Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
(write Christian and middle names in full)
2. Address c/o Atlanta University Atlanta, Georgia.
No. Street City County State
3. Named Assured's Business (in full) Instructor - Atlanta University
(If Named Assured is a married woman, give husband's name and business)
Is Named Assured an Individual, Co-partnership, Corporation or Estate individual
4. Named Assured's Nationality and Color (state both) are.....
5. The term of this Policy begins at 12:01 o'clock A. M. March 27th. 1935
Standard Time at Named Assured's address and ends at 12:01 o'clock A. M. March 27th. 1936
6. Description of the automobile:

	Year Model	Trade Name	No. of Cylinders	Model	Type of Body	Seating Capacity or Actual Ton Load Capacity	Factory Numbers
Car No. 1	1932	Willys Knight		66B	Sedan		Motor #7795 Serial #7385
Car No. 2							

PASTE ENDORSEMENTS HERE

7. The automobile shall not be used for renting, livery, carrying passengers for a monetary consideration, the towing or propelling of any trailer, unless such uses are definitely declared herein and rated; the purposes for which the automobile will be used are (a) private passenger type automobile—personal, pleasure and family use including business calls, (b) commercial vehicle—the transportation and the loading and unloading of goods or merchandise in direct connection with the Named Assured's occupation as described above, including occasional pleasure use by the Named Assured's family; except as follows:
No Exceptions
8. The Named Assured owns the automobile except as follows: No Exceptions
9. All automobiles owned by the Named Assured are described herein, except as follows: No Exceptions
10. Location of garage where the automobile will be principally kept Atlanta, Ga. (City)
11. The automobile will be principally used in and about Atlanta, Ga. (City)
(If a disclosed automobile is garaged in the "suburbs," but used regularly in business in the "city," state the "city.")
12. No insurance carrier has canceled or refused to issue automobile insurance for the Named Assured during the past year, except as follows: No Exceptions
13. This risk was insured during the past year in the following company: .....
14. Coverage under this policy applies only to such of the Insuring Clauses, in respect to each automobile disclosed, as are indicated below by a specific premium or by the word "covered" or by words of similar effect:

			Premium Car No. 1	Premium Car No. 2
A.	PUBLIC LIABILITY (Insuring Clause 1)	(1) limit for one person - - - - $ 5,000.00		
		(2) limit for one accident - - - - $ 10,000.00	$ 36.00	$
B.	PROPERTY DAMAGE (Insuring Clause 2)	Limit for one accident - - - - - - $ 5,000.00	$ 10.00	$
C.	COLLISION (Insuring Clause 3)	Amount deductible from each loss - $ (if full coverage answer "none")	$ nil	$
D.	DRIVE OTHER CARS (Insuring Clause 4)	(1) P. L. portion of premium - - - - - -	$ nil	
		(2) P. D. portion of premium - - - - - -	$ nil	
E.	Additional Coverage by endorsement, if any..... (Attach copy of endt. to H. O. App.) (State title and form No.)		$ nil	$
		Totals	$ 46.00	$
		GRAND TOTAL PREMIUM	$ 46.00	

IS YOUR CAR INSURED AGAINST THE UNEXPECTED

If your car injures someone you would ordinarily expect only a nominal verdict of $1000 to $5000 or $10,000. Or if your car smashes into another car or building, you may think the damage will be less than $1000.

But how about the unexpected? You have often heard the saying—"It is the unexpected that always happens."

Read the following clippings.

A recent case indicating the necessity of proper limits on liability is that of a $35,000 verdict rendered where the assured carried but a $5,000 limit for one person. The Company paid the policy limit of $5000 plus the necessary amount for medical and loss expense while the insured contributed $30,000 in settlement of the verdict. He might just as well have been

$60,000 FOR LOSS OF HANDS

Little Rose Cattan, her hands maimed under motor truck, deplores lost music career. "Oh those wicked men," she cried, as she was

$25,000 FOR LEG SHORTENED BY AUTO ACCIDENT

A judge in Chicago recently awarded a man $25,000 when his leg became 2½ inches shorter from an automobile accident. High liability limits are a good investment now that the

MAN JAILED FOR FAILING TO PAY DAMAGES IN SUIT

Ford Car Demolishes Building

Damage May Reach $30,000.

The UNEXPECTED is fast becoming the EXPECTED,—because last year more than ten thousand claims or suits for damages were made for amounts in excess of $10,000 on account of injuries received in automobile accidents.

Better to have insurance and not need it than to need it and not have it. Five times as much insurance costs less than one half more. (Both Public Liability and Property Damage.)

(SEE OVER)

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INSERT SLIP

(To be mailed with each Automobile Policy)

Read Your Policy

Policy No. 639731 has been issued in accordance with our understanding of your requirements. It affords your protection under those forms of insurance which are checked below:—

	Amt. of Insurance
1. Public Liability (Injuries to other persons)	$ 5,000.00 (One Person) $ 10,000.00 (One Accident)
2. Employer's Liability (Injuries to your employees) (by endorst.)	$ nil (One Person) $ nil (One Accident)
3. Property Damage (Damage to property of others)	$ 5,000.00 (One Accident)
4. Collision (Damage to your car)	nil (Insert Full or Deductible)
5. Glass Damage (Breakage of glass in your car)	nil
6. Drive Other Cars (Insured while driving other peoples' cars)	nil
7. Separate policy coving injuries to yourself	nil

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READ CAREFULLY. If you decide that you require other features in addition to those already written in the policy or if you desire greater protection they may be added by endorsement.

BUY FULL COVERAGE. Insurance is like an umbrella. An umbrella is not of much use unless it covers all of you.

Great American Indemnity Company

(SEE OVER)

F. 3018B 50M 5-31.

Du Bois - Personal

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 3, 1935

The Collector of Taxes
Great Barrington, Massachusetts

Sir:

I am enclosing a check for my taxes with interest for 1934. I am paying this under protest as I have already applied for reduction of my assessment, but have as yet received no reply from the Board of Assessors.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

14-8-41

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

(GREEN'S GARAGE)

14-9-41

November 21, 1935

The Green Garage
Augusta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

On Monday and Tuesday, October 18 and 19, I had my Willys-Knight car in your garage to have the generator repaired. The armature had been burned out and you secured me a new one from Atlanta and installed it. I paid you, as I remember, $13.50 for your services. I started for Atlanta Tuesday.

I noticed that the generator was registering 15, but depended upon your judgment until I had gone 50 miles. Then, finding the generator very hot, I disconnected the wires and drove on the battery to Athens. There, I went to Clarke's Garage. They told me that the generator had been wired up wrong and that the relay and resistance coil had been burnt out. They had to machine out the armature in order to save it. I had to wait two hours and pay them $4.25 for their repairs.

It seems to me that the fault is yours for a poor job and I am enclosing their bill which I have already paid and asking for a refund on your part. You may communicate with the Clark company if you wish and as to my reliability, you may consult "Who's Who in America".

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

PHONES 1733 - 1734 ESTABLISHED 1918 111-125 FIFTH ST.

GREEN'S GARAGE

Parts—Service All Cars

Welding, Radiator and Body Repairing, Painting, Auto Glass Replaced
Gas, Oils and Supplies

OFFICIAL AAA SERVICE

AUGUSTA, GA.

69-9-191

Nov. 25th, 1935

W. E. B. DuBois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

With reference to your letter of November 21st, 1935 we regret very much that you experienced trouble with your generator after it had been repaired by us.

After carefully considering what you state in your letter we are of the opinion that the relay and resistance coil became shorted in some manner after you left here, this causing your trouble. Under any conditions when you disconnected wires and drove the car on to Athens you were indeed fortunate that it did not completely burn up your generator. If you had not had trouble before and disconnected the wires as you state in your letter it would have ruined the generator.

It would be impossible to connect up the wires on the generator wrong if it was charging and the fact that the generator was charging when it left here is proof that it was properly wired by us.

Trusting that this will explain your trouble and you will see that our mechanic did a good job for you and thanking you, we are

Yours truly,

Green's Garage

George D. Green

LH/GDG

14-23-05

God Our Father, Christ Our Redeemer, Man Our Brother.

FIFTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT

African Methodist Episcopal Church

CONFERENCES: Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, North Missouri, Southwest Missouri, Nebraska

RT. REV. J. A. GREGG, Presiding Bishop

1150 Washington Boulevard
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

December 11, 1935

Educational Institution
WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Doctor Du Bois:

Your letter dated November 11 and addressed to me at Wilberforce University has finally reached me here at Kansas City. That accounts for the delay. It has been eleven years since that was my address.

I think your plan for an encyclopedia on the Negro race is a very good one and I believe the time is ripe. I shall be glad to be of any service I may in such a publication.

With all good wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

J. A. Gregg.

J. A. Gregg
Bishop

JAG:LBS

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 3, 1935

Dr. T. K. Gregg
255 North Dean Street
Spartenburg, South Carolina

My dear Dr. Gregg:

I want to thank you very much indeed for your courtesy and hospitality in Spartenburg. I still feel uncomfortable at not having the privilege of paying for that excellent breakfast. We all appreciated it very much and want to thank you and Mrs. Jones.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

98-4-41

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 10, 1935

Dr. T. E. Gregg
255 North Dean Street
Spartenburg, South Carolina

My dear Dr. Gregg:

I want to stop at your place on Saturday night, September 21. Can you arrange a place for me? I shall be greatly obliged.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

T. K. GREGG, M. D.
168 1-2 N. CHURCH STREET
OFFICE PHONE 1361
RESIDENCE PHONE 1709
P. O BOX 461
SPARTANBURG, S. C.

September 13, 1935.

Dr W.E.B. Du Bois
226 W 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, N. Y.

22-55-41

Dear Dr Du Bois:

I have your letter of the 10th inst., and I shall be glad to have you stop over with us on the night of the 21st. In the meantime, if there are to be any ladies in your party please let me know how many so that we can prepare for them also. Incidentally, I am reading your most recent book, "Black Reconstruction", which I am enjoying immensely.

Cordially yours,

T. K. Gregg

22nd — No ladies

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 16, 1935

Dr. T. K. Gregg
168-1-2 North Church Street
Spartanburg, South Carolina

My dear Dr. Gregg:

Thank you for your letter of September 13. There will be n o one in my part, except myself, and instead of arriving Saturday, the 21st, I shall arrive Sunday, the 22nd, and leave Monday morning.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

68-4-41

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 19, 1935

Dr. T. K. Gregg
168-1-2 North Church Street
Spartanburg, South Carolina

My dear Dr. Gregg:

I will have to change the time of my arrival in Spartanburg. I am planning to be at your home Sunday night, September 29.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-4-90

T. K. GREGG, M. D.

168 1-2 N. CHURCH STREET

P. O. BOX 461

OFFICE PHONE 1361
RESIDENCE PHONE 1709

SPARTANBURG, S. C.

September 21, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
City

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I deeply regret that I shall not have the privilege of seeing you on this trip. I delayed my departure until the last moment in the hope that I would see you upon your arrival but it appears that it was necessary for your itinerary to be changed. I have made all arrangements for your staying here and I trust you shall be comfortable. I anticipate the pleasure of seeing you on my way through Atlanta to Tuskeegee next spring.

With best regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

T. K. Gregg, M. D.

October 3, 1935

Dr. T. K. Gregg
168-1-2 North Church Street
Spartenburg, South Carolina

My dear Dr. Gregg:

I am enclosing a copy of my last letter to you. I am afraid you did not realise the date, September 89. I was sorry not to meet you, but Mrs. Jones took good care of me. I hope you had a pleasant visit in New York.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

December 18, 1935

Dr. T. K. Gregg
168-1-2 North Church Street
Spartanburg, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Gregg:

Will you ask your landlady if she can entertain me and party on the night of Friday, December 20. We shall arrive probably about 9 P.M. and shall want a room for two ladies; (1) for myself and (1) for the driver.

Saturday morning, we will want breakfast early and a small lunch to carry with us, including coffee for a thermos bottle.

I shall be very glad if you can arrange this for me. If there is any difficulty, please wire at my expense.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-4-92

Mrs. Eugenia Roye Hardy

announces the marriage of her daughter

Elizabeth

to

Dr. Theodore K. Gregg

of Spartanburg, S. C.

Monday, December the Thirtieth
nineteen hundred thirty-five

Atlanta, Georgia

At home after July First
237 North Dean Street
Spartanburg, S. C.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 31, 1935

Mrs. Emma Groves
30 Peacevale Road
Dorchester, Massachusetts

14-26-92

My dear Emma:

I have just returned from New York. I didn't tell you I was so near, as I thought there wasn't a ghost of a show to get to Boston, and more than that, I didn't have my car.

I hope you are getting on nicely and are slim, whole and happy by this time. I went North Christmas vacation for about ten days, and then between terms for another five days. I saw the glorious snow-storm, a sight which I had not experienced for many years.

How is your family? Give them all my best regards. In February, I'm going West to Chicago for a lecture trip; and then in June, I shall be North for several months. I shall surely see you.

With best love

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-26-93

April 10, 1935

Mrs. Emma Groves
30 Peacevale Road
Dorchester, Massachusetts

My dear Emma:

My last letter has not been answered, which I presume is proof that you are well and busy. This is not a letter, it is simply a note to ask you the exact date of the Harvard commencement exercises this year. I am coming to the anniversary, so you will have to be ready to take care of me, and to attend at least one or two functions. I have been pretty busy this year with writing, lecturing in the North and West, and visiting in Texas.

I hope the family is well. Let me hear from you as soon as possible.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

June 1, 1935

Mrs. Emma Groves
30 Peacevale Road
Dorchester, Massachusetts

14-26-94

My dear Emma:

I shall arrive in Boston by automobile on the afternoon of Monday, June 17. You might drop me a line before then at my home; 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, New York.

I hope this will find you all well.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 22nd, 1935

14-26-95

Mrs. Emma Groves
30 Peacevale Avenue
Dorchester, Boston
Massachusetts

My dear Emma:

I reached home in safety, after a very lovely ride without rain. I could have easily gotten in at two, but stopped at several places and finally got home at four. At night Mrs. DuBois and I went to the Boule dinner and had a nice evening.

Let me thank you and Lovett and Margerie for a very pleasant visit.

I find that we are going to Maine by taking the boat from New York, so that I shall not stop in Boston on the way up. It is barely possible that I can stop on the way down. At any rate I shall hope to see you again sometime this summer.

Very sincerely yours,

webd/s

October 2, 1935

IV-76-96

Mrs. Emma Groves
30 Peacevale Road
Dorchester, Massachusetts

My dear Emma:

I did not after all get a chance to get back to Boston, for which I was very sorry. I did have a perfectly gorgeous vacation in Maine for 26 days in an interesting camp by a beautiful lake. I hope you have had a good summer and that the children enjoyed their vacations. My best regards to Lovett. I may be in Boston this winter sometime lecturing. If I do, I shall certainly look you up. Write me a letter and tell me all the news.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DM

November 11, 1935

Mrs. Emma Groves
30 Peacevale Road
Dorchester, Massachusetts

14-26-98

My dear Emma:

Thank you for your letter of November 8. I have been hearing from Maud regularly and gathered from her last letter that she is pretty low. She spoke of needing a back-rest and I have just sent her a check to get one. It's a terrible loss to have her go and yet it is even worse to have her lingering much longer in pain. If you think of anything that I can do, let me know.

I am so glad that the Groves family is flourishing or at least not accumulating any further misfortune. Let the good work go on. My best love to Miss Groves and to Mason.

I am acutely aware of the fact that I shall have to mend and improve my attitude toward these growing personalities. I may say, incidentally, that my granddaughter is reaching the years of discretion (three) and is already in nursery school.

You say little of yourself, except to mention your tranquillity. That's a good deal. Keep it up.

My love to all.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

(GROVES)

November 8, 1935.
30 Peacevale Rd.
Dorchester, Mass.

14-25-97

Dear Doctor:-

I heard yesterday that Mrs. Hare is very ill. Has anyone written you about her condition? She is kept under morphine now and the doctors say she cannot live much longer. It does seem a dreadful pity. She has so much to give the world

Margie had her first real party Saturday night. She had twenty two boys and girls. She was actualy quite spoiled. They are both doing much better in school this year. I hope your family are all well. Remember me to them.

Bye

Emma

and always seems so very much alive.

I hope your work and life is running as smoothly and pleasantly this year as it did last year. I have read some very useful reviews of your work. Everything is going nicely with the Gross family (Excuse me just a moment while I knock on wood) Everyone is well and no upsets. I feel correspondingly tranquil.

Personal and confidential

140 Claremont Avenue
New York City
May 21, 1935.

Dr. W.E.B.Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta.

Dear Dr.Du Bois :

I think the enclosed documents are more or less self-explanatory. We waited for the last of the articles by the "N.A.A.C.P." before tryi g to do anything, because we wanted to know just how low they would stoop in trying to clear themselves and incriminate Crawford. Crawford himself,of course is a weak reed and,as we already knew,thoroughly undependable but this does not help Mr.Houston's case. The very fact that Crawford is irresponsible and perhaps slighly defective should have made any lawyer worth his salt guard his interests even more carefully than if he were capable of protecting himself.Crawford has since written us a number of letters repudiating the Crisis statements and attacking Houston but his testimony is no longer of very great value on either side of the question . The real issue of Houston's professional conduct and the kind of defense offered by the N.A.A.C.P. is just as much in question as ever. I am inclined to think that for astute readers the attempted defense will be completely unconvincing . We wish however, once and for all to answer with the true facts a number of which are deliberately falsified in the Crisis articles.

With this in mind I went to Francis Henson and at his suggestion wrote the enclosed letter to Miss Gilman . Mr. Henson also wrote for me to a number of people , including Professor Mitchell who replied that he had no particular desire to take sides in what seemed to be a dispute between the N.A.A.C.P. and I.L.D.sympathizers. My letter to him was to answer this point . We had it mimeographed to send to others who might be under the same misapprehension . The projected foreword is what we are asking members of the N.A.A.C.P. who feel as we do to sign . We already have a number of signers here and in Boston and have also received anumber of contributions. If we can not raise the money in any other way I expect to try and borrow it as I feel the matter is extremely important. I should very much like to have the names and addresses of any members that you believe would sign , any that would contribute and all of whom could be trusted to hold their tongues to the National Office.The ruthlessness which Mr. Houston has displayed already toward Crawford has given us pause more than once in this undertaking ,wondering if in the end we were making things worse for him but we feel that , on the whole,we should go ahead;that the risk to Crawford and other possible defendants is still greater if the National Legal Commitee can get away with this kind of murder.

There were some people here in New York who signed a protest at the time of your difficulty with The Crisis . the only ones whose names I happen to remember are John Brown Jr. and Dr . Alexander Frazier Miller. I should very much appreciate knowing what you would think of the advisability of going to them or others of this group and I should be very glad to know of other names that you

can suggest . Are you yourself still , by chance an N.A.A.C.P. member ? My impression is that you resigned from the whole works last summer. We need hardly tell you , however how much it would mean to us to have your name as a signer if you are still a member . We think signers of the foreword had better be members. If you are not one yourself do you know any members of the Atlanta Panch or any of your students who belong to a college or junior branch who would sign ? If you felt like asking them it would be a very great service to us.

14-3-70

I was in Boston over the week- end and saw several members of the Boston branch sympathetic to the undertaking . Mr . Loud was away but I have written him at some length about it and he has been sympathetic with it right along . Even Butler Wilson , who has held back until now fromreasons of professional etiquette seems to think it is time something was done , which I find very encouraging. I may possibly try to go to St .Louis an make as much of a fight on all this as I can from the floor of the convention , but this depends on a number of things . One is the amount of money I can raise by that time - the other is the amount of probable support from delegates and members . If the National office can put through as cut and dried a program as they want to , it hardly seems worth the expenditure of time and energy involved and I would rather concentrate on getting the pamphlet to the Branches and to the Negro press. We have a number of documents which the other side does not know we have and have not used before which will show up some of their contentions , I think , in a way they will not be able to answer. We have,mfor instance the report which Mr. Ransom and Mr. Tyson made to Mr. Houston about their visit to Boston which shows conclusively that they did not make any attempt to locate the important alibi witnesses. We also have the ---- interview Mr. Houston and Tyson had with Roy Seton the justice of the peace, which, far from " vindicating" Paul Boeing as the Crisis articles imply show that Seton who had begun by suspecting Crawford changed his mind and believed Paul Boeing was more likely to be the guilty man. Seton, contrary to the reports spread by Houston and some of the prosecutors was not only willing but anxious to testify in Crawford's defense. This is only a small part of the material we have . While it does not definitely prove Crawford's innocence - we do not even now know definitely that he is innocent , though I believe that he is - but it does show concluisvely how much evidence favorable to him was ignored or suppressed and how facts were distorted and suppressed by Mr. Houston afterwards to defend his course. The question which will not down in this connection , though we can't answer it , is " why ?" Why couldn't Crawford be defended? Why should not all facts in his favor have been brought out ? Why should reputable witnesses in his behalf have been passed over in favor of extremely disreputable ones , who had criminal records or were under duress ? Even though we cannot answer these questions , we hope we may give sufficient publicity to the facts as we know them so that members of the N.A.A.C.P. and others interested will demand and eventually obtain the answer. You can imagine with what joy we will turn to pastures new when that happens. We get frightfully tired of being such one- idead bores -but we'd hate even worse than this to let the matter drop and stop boring people .

Your long awaited book was - more or less- politely taken away from me by the New Republic . At least they asked me if I would give it up to Dr. Abram Harris and naturally I could not help seeing that it was a good suggestion and that he was certainly far more qualified than I to review it.I've since been told that he is not reviewing it , after all and I don't know just what heppened. I have still to review the R Truslow Adams book that I was to couple with it . I am reserving for it all the Schimpfworte in my vocabulary which I won't need for Mr. Houston and his pals.

14-3-71

David is well again to our great relief and out.But he is looking for work and bucking the depression in Harlem so that for him the outlook is not entirely joyous.

Will you be in New York at all any time before the end of June.If you are it would be lovely to see you. My own summer plans seem to be Northampton in July and Yaddo in August , with a possible St . Louis interlude at the end of June . This last I can't say I look forward to.

Might I ask you , if you have any suggestions as to possible signers or contributors if we might have them as soon as possible. I am especially anxious to know whether you would think it advisable for me to approach Dr . Miller . As he is president of the Brooklyn Branch , it would be very impressive to have him as a signer but I don't want to risk having the beans spilled to the National officers before we are ready to have them spilled. Also again if your or any of your signatures can and will give us your signatures you know how glad we would be to have them.

Please forgive this long and , I fear, repetitious letter . I'm trusting that you will since you do know what its all about.

Faithfully yours

Martha Gruening

[ENCLOSURE]

140 Claremont Avenue
New York City
May 11,1935

Miss Elizabeth Gilman
513 Park Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Miss Gilman:

I am writing you at the suggestion of Mr. Francis Henson of the International Student Service, to whom I went for advice on a project of publishing a pamphlet in connection with the George Crawford Case.

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of the New Masses for January 8, 1935 which contains an article by me on the case. Last summer Helen Boardman and I published another article on it in The Nation to which Mr. Houston and Mr. Ransom replied. A further reply, embodying Mr. Houston's story has now appeared in the Crisis for April and May, 1935, under the title "The Crawford Case, A statement by the N.A.A.C.P.". Miss Boardman and I feel that this statement is grossly inaccurate and misleading and does grave injustice both to Crawford and to the membership of the N.A.A.C.P., which is entitled to know the truth of the matter. We and a number of other members of the Association also feel that it is unfair and misleading for Mr. Houston's defense to appear as a "statement by the N.A.A.C.P.". Those of us who have questioned and still very seriously question the handling of this case are also members of the N.A.A.C.P. in good standing and as such are vitally interested in the defense principles of the Association and its treatment of colored defendants. One of us, Helen Boardman, was associated with the defense in the Crawford case from the very beginning, having made the original investigation in Virginia which decided the Association to go on with the case. She was the only person connected with the National Office of the Association or the defense who saw certain witnesses in Virginia as well as all of the alibi witnesses in Boston. It was through her that I became interested in the case. We have both been actively interested in the Association over a long period of years and have made a number of investigations for it. We could not understand how Crawford could be convicted on the evidence that Virginia produced against him, in the face of the Boston alibi and we still can not understand it, in spite of the statements of the Virginia authorities and of the defense attorneys.

I am applying to the Christian Social Justice Fund for a grant of two hundred and fifty dollars to be used in the following ways: first, to ascertain through a Virginia lawyer what Crawford' further rights are and get a statement from him as to whether he wishes any further action taken in his case and another lawyer retained; second to publish and distribute to the members of the N.A.A.C.P., before the Association's annual convention in June, a pamphlet containing our reply to the Crisis articles and giving the facts as we know them. This is my estimate of the minimum amount required, as the undertaking involves trips both to Virginia and to the St. Louis convention of the Association in June by one of us. The cost of the pamphlet according to a printer's estimate would be about one hundred dollars for an edition of five thousand copies for a twenty-four page pamphlet and about eighty dollars if it is a sixteen page pamphlet. The article we have in mind, together with appendices photostatic reproductions of documents and a foreword explaining the reason for publishing it would probably run to twenty-four pages, though we will make it shorter if we can. In addition the Virginia lawyer would probably have to be paid a small fee. All other work in connection with the project would be volunteer.

14-3-74

In the Crisis articles Mr. Houston publishes a number of signed statements purporting to be from Crawford and admitting his guilt. Some but not all of these are in Crawford's writing and none of them are in his idiom or his spelling as we have come to know it in a rather extensive correspondence with him. He has, moreover, repudiated these statements in unsolicited letters to us and denounced Mr. Houston saying he wanted to have nothing more to do with him. He has also asked to have another lawyer come to see him. At present, by an anomalous situation, Mr. Houston who refused to plead for Crawford at his second indictment still holds Crawford's power of attorney and is the only person allowed to see him. This at least is what the warden of the penitentiary wrote me when I asked permission to see Crawford - that only a prisoner's relatives and his lawyer could see him. As Crawford has no living relative this leaves him with no visitor except Mr. Houston and such persons as Mr. Houston chooses to bring with him.

14-3-75

While Crawford is not an impressive witness in his own behalf, having admittedly changed his story several times, there were reputable witnesses who were impressive who upheld his original story which he now writes us was the truth. The prosecution's story, on the other hand, was supported largely by witnesses of bad character and witnesses obviously under duress and is full of discrepancies and contradictions. When all the known facts are taken into consideration it seems to us that the state absolutely failed to establish its case against Crawford and could not have convicted him, if he had been properly defended. We want to make these facts known to the membership of the N.A.A.C.P. and at the same time protect Crawford from possible reprisals at the hands of the Virginia authorities. That is why we want to enlist a reliable Virginia attorney to get from him an authentic statement of his wishes for the future, and, if nothing more can be done for him legally, at least to see him from time to time and befriend him. In several recent letters Crawford has asked us to do this, hinting that he could not write freely and wanted to talk with someone he could trust. An anonymous letter from Virginia, which we also received recently and believe to have been written by a friendly guard or a released prisoner, also urgently asked us to do this saying Crawford was being "treated very brutal". We also wish as I have said, to bring all these facts before the members of the N.A.A.C.P., as distinct from its National officers.

If there is any further information as to the case or our plan of work that you would like to have I shall be very glad to write you further. May I ask for Crawford's protection that this matter be considered confidential by the members of your committee. If we can get the grant for which I am asking it would help us very much and would be deeply appreciated. We have received a few small contributions already from N.A.A.C.P. members and other interested but the time is so short and Crawford's situation so distressing that we don't feel we can rely only on such sources any longer.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Martha Gruening

* On re-reading I find this slightly too sweeping some - at least one - is in Crawford's spelling.

[Enclosure]

140 Claremont Ave.
New York City

May 13th, 1935

Mr. Broadus Mitchell,
Department of Political Economy,
John Hopkins University,
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

Mr. Henson has forwarded to me your note of May 9th. I would like, therefore, to explain the real issues in the case as we see them.

Some of the national officers of the N.A.A.C.P. have tried to make it appear that criticism of the handling of the Crawford case came from communists and I.L.D. sympathizers. This is not the case. The communists were, for some reason, strangely apathetic about this flagrant mishandling of a prisoner's right, until criticism and agitation about it had gone on for months within the N.A.A.C.P. itself. Helen Boardman and I, who have been the ones most seriously to question the Crawford defense were and are members of the association in good standing and Miss Boardman is on the Executive Committee of its New York Branch. Our interest in and connection with the Association extends over a period of more than twenty years and we have made between us not less than twelve investigations for it. One of these was Helen Boardman's investigation in the Crawford case, which largely decided the Association to go on with the case. In this investigation she saw certain Virginia witnesses favorable to Crawford as well as all of the Boston alibi witnesses, many of whom were never seen by any other person connected with Crawford's defense. The fact that Crawford's lawyers at an early stage of the case proclaimed his guilt and abandoned all attempts at any real defense without ever having seen these witnesses seems to us in itself to cast grave doubts on their conduct of his defense. We criticised this defense not because we favor the kind of mass pressure advocated by the I.L.D. but because it seems to us a betrayal of the N.A.A.C.P.'s own principles. When I wrote the article for the New Masses - enclosed under separate cover - I refused to include in it any statement favoring the I.L.D.'s method as against the N.A.A.C.P. and told the editors that they could have it only on condition that it was published as written. I have also refused to help the I.L.D. capitalize criticism of the Crawford case in its own favor by refusing to speak for them on it.

Miss Boardman and I, who are the initiators of the pamphlet project have put in the better part of our spare time now for a year and a half in trying to get at the truth about this case and make it known to the N.A.A.C.P. members. In the

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beginning we tried to get these facts from Walter White and Mr. Houston and were driven to making our own independent investigation by their resolute withholding of them. Mr. Houston, for instance, insisted in letters to us, as well as in letters to the press, that all the alibi witnesses had been seen and had failed to substantiate their stories. Actually of eight alibi witnesses only two whose testimony did not cover the actual date of the murder were seen by Mr. Houston's associates. But we did not succeed in getting this admission from him until we had procured the affidavits of four of these witnesses to this effect and threatened to publish them. This is only one of many instances in which Mr. Houston had suppressed or vitally distorted facts in connection with the case. It is as members of the N.A.A.C.P. and not as I.L.D. sympathizers that we have felt deeply concerned over this.

In the April and May numbers of The Crisis a reply to my article appears as "A Statement by the N.A.A.C.P.", which contains many equally grave misstatements and distortions of facts. The most serious distortion, however, seems to me to lie in this title. The statement is <u>not</u> the statement of the N.A.A.C.P. but actually an anonymous defense by the National Legal Committee of the organization of its handling of the case. While those of us who have criticised this defense may be in the minority in the N.A.A.C.P., we feel that we, quite as much as the National Legal Committee, <u>are</u> the N.A.A.C.P. Whether we would be in the minority if the membership at large knew all the facts I very much doubt. That is one reason why we are interested in publishing the pamphlet.

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As to your point about "springing something on the National Convention" my first impulse was to say that this was not our intention. I think, however, it would be more accurate to admit that to some extent we do expect to spring this not on the Convention but on its national officers. We have decided on this course because we know that these officers have been completely unscrupulous in the past in their attempt to suppress all discussion of the case within the Association. Such an attempt at suppression was actually the occasion of Dr. Du Bois's resignation from The Crisis, although there were also other differences between him and the Board of Directors. Our other reason for not taking the national officers into our confidence in this matter is to protect Crawford from possible reprisals. As I explained in my letter to Miss Elizabeth Gilman he has asked us to get him another lawyer and has expressed great bitterness in his letters against Mr. Houston, but Mr. Houston is still, by some curious arrangement with the Virginia Prison Authorities, the only person allowed to see him. This seems to me a situation which calls for publicity and correction.

I have wanted you to have this explanation both as an individual and as a member of the Christian Social Justice Fund to which I am applying for a grant, for this undertaking. If you should desire any more information I shall be very glad to write again.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Martha Gruening

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 29, 1935

Miss Martha Gruening
140 Claremont Avenue
New York, New York

14-3-76

My dear Martha:

I have your kind letter of May 21. I shall be in New York on or about June 15 for a day or so and then going to Harvard to a class reunion. The rest of the summer until August, I shall spend in New York. Perhaps I can see you at that time.

Ofcourse, I would be very glad if you could get the truth concerning the Crawford case before the public but I am pretty discouraged at any attempt to reform the N. A. A. C. P. Unless they get new executive offices, this is utterly impossible.

I think all of these persons who signed that letter to me will be glad to give at least moral support to your project. Suppose you get in touch with John S. Brown, Jr. at the Dunbar Apartments. He could give you names and addresses. Unfortunately, or fortunately, I am not a member of the N. A. A. C. P. I resigned from everything connected with it and of course if I sign anything now attacking them or even mildly disagreeing with them, they would declare that it was because I was a disgruntled former official.

I made up my mind when I got out to have nothing to do with them and nothing to say about them, unless, of course, some very grave crisis arrives. I have already expressed myself pretty clearly on the Crawford case. I may see my way to do something more, but I doubt if I ought to just now.

At any rate, we will talk the matter over this summer.

Very sincerely yours

WEBD/DW

W. E. B. Du Bois

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14-4-41

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Miss Marita Odette Bonner has applied for a Fellowship on this Foundation. May we have in her case your careful opinion of her abilities, please?

Sincerely yours,

Henry Allen Moe

M:Q

Bonner

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation

14-4-82

I know Miss Marita Bonner for a period of five or six years about 1928 when she sent several stories to The Crisis for publication and I saw her and talked with her in Washington and New York. I have corresponded with her infrequently since.

I think Miss Bonner has an unusualy and subtle gift for story-telling. She is not sensational or dramatic, but aims at a careful portrayal of life and deserves, therefore, more encouragement than those young colored writers who are trying to entertain a white public regardless as to whether their stories are based on true conditions or not. I do not know, of course, just how far Miss Bonner's gift has been developed in the last four or five years, but if she has gone on from where she was in 1928 or even maintained the standard which she had set then, I should think it would be very worth while to encourage her and to give her the broadest opportunity. Young Negro writers are torn between the necessity of making a living and the desire for self-expression. Negro stories in order to sell must keep to certain conventional types which white people want or think they want. Self-expression, on the other hand, may not among these writers be based upon any wide and significant experience among the mass of Negroes. When, therefore, a young Negro writer wants to stick to the truth and has ability to express a body of knowledge which she thoroughly knows, I am ~~terribly earnest~~ that such a one have a chance, because as yet there are few of this kind.

very eager

December 9, 1935

Guggenheim Memorial Foundation

December 12, 1935

Mr. Henry Allen Moe
John Simon Guggenheim Memorial
Foundation
551 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

M8-4-41

My dear Mr. Moe:

My recommendation for Miss Bonner went out without my final reading and has a few mistakes. I am sending a revised copy.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

[HALL]

803 N. 9th ave.
Maywood, Ill.
May 29th 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois.
Atlanta, Ga.
c/o Atlanta University.

14-2-43

My Dear Dr. Dubois;

I read the other day somewhere, I cannot recall where, regarding your idea, I believe it is your idea, of the negroes forming a government of their own, and I believe it is a valuable idea for several reasons, and one reason

in particular, this reason is spiritual. the cause of all the trouble on this earth and of the great depression of these Times is spiritual not economic. there is a great lack of many forms of greatly needed supply. Money cannot buy the most precious forms of supply nor prevent their flight when one has any of them for a time.

the speakers over the radio, and from the platforms, and the

news papers talk as though if there was plenty of money all would be well, there would be no lack, but this is very untrue. the cause of all lack is spiritual. failure to learn and obey the laws of God, failure to learn and apply the teachings of Jesus and thus get to know God as Father, through the experiences of His providing care in all ways made possible by obedience. Obedience is better than sacrifice". the book of Life teaches, and my life has

proved to me the truth of this teaching.

the soul-man and God have been forgotten, robbed of their rights, that is the cause of all the evils that exist-today.

I will come to my idea regarding the negro nation later, but I want to speak of something else first.

Over twenty-five years ago I asked God to teach me the causes of, and the cure for all the evils in this world, I have got the knowledge I asked for, and it has cost me a very great price in

sacrifice, and suffering of heart, mind and body. I could not have been given the knowledge I asked for in any other way. But great is my reward. I am 64 years of age, just getting ready to begin to live, my children long ago went out into the world, I am a widow, and my life lies before me, not behind me, as is the case with most women of my age.

14-7-44

I am prepared for God's service to humanity and I am giving my all, I have no money at

present, to God for His service, I expect to have some money later, to give, I have put the teachings of Christianity to a very rigid test and proved its value for connecting with all forms of supply for both soul and body.

I am writing a book "Twenty-four years with God" giving among other things some of my most unusual spiritual experiences which prove the fatherhood of God and that He is the same today as of old.

I am preparing a course

of instruction to be sent out. and I am planning to found an Universal Brotherhood association having many uplifting and progressive purposes for the welfare of all races and classes. I have been planning this for many years. My book was started 9 years ago.

I want to start a community for the purpose of uplift and to demonstrate the blessings of christianity, and the possibility of living the christian life according to the.

8 teachings of Jesus, today.
the people are greatly
in need of such a
demonstration these days.
I went south when I
was thirty and lived there
over twenty years. I came
north two years ago. but
hope to return south soon.
I understand and
love the colored people. I
wish you could read a
letter that I received from
a fine young colored girl
this morning. she is
devoting her life to
teaching. and would
make a valuable teacher
along spiritual lines.

child training. care of health. home building, not the house, but the home within.

Seems to me the colored people, as I know them, would be a valuable source of spiritual instruction for this nation and the world, if they could have a nation of their own. And take up the Universal Brotherhood teachings which are the direct teachings of God and of Jesus, not changed by man.

I have never been connected with any

14-7-45

church. the Holy Spirit has been my teacher as promised in St. John 16: 12-13. and 1 John 2: 27. the Holy Spirit has directed me to the foundation teachings of God and of Jesus. and has also given me advanced knowledge. I have the proof of the truth of what I teach, by the demonstrations I have made in my own life in great dangers and under unusually trying circumstances.

the colored people demonstrate in a wonderful way the

care of the Spirit Father. It is wonderful to discover the spiritual knowledge they possess. a certain class of them. certainly a seperate nation for the colored people could be of great value to our nation and to the world at large.

as Woodrow Wilson, Lloyd George, and three other famous men. I do not recall the names of the other three, said several years ago. the U. S. A. must give spiritual aid to all other nations or fall. It must lead or fall. I know that

for myself. And the time of opportunity of choice in this matter is short, growing shorter with each passing day.

The colored nation established on a Christian foundation will be a wonderful example, a powerful proof of the blessings of Christianity.

There could not be political parties, these are contrary to Christian teachings. "United we stand, divided we fall." Politics stir up strife, hatred, and even murder. All must be working for the best good of all.

If you are interested please let me hear from you. In His service.

Grace Austin Hall.

P.S.

the colored people could make the demonstration I want to produce for the U.S.A. and the world at large, as no other people could do. for several reasons.

I have many plans for the community I have been planing for many years, but the negro nation would be much better, and able to give a more extensive demonstration.

* this all reminds me, the other day I

14-2-46

met I fine christian colored boy about 17. I met him in relief station. for some reason the "Relief" will give him no aid. I heard him tell the woman at the desk I am hungry. I am trying to live right - and to make something of myself I need help. but she turned a deaf ear. I could see by his talk he had been trying to get help for some time. So I went and talked with him and offered him 2 cents for food begged him to

take it- but he refused, saying "you are needy like myself." I will not take it- it- is the place of these people to help me." After I finished talking with him I met a case worker who had seen me talking with the boy. She said to me. "You must not pay attention to such cases, Mrs. Hall. We have so many people come in here with such pitiful tales." I got the boy's address,

Loree Dalton
35-36 S. State St-
Chicago, Ill. (over)

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certainly the nation needs such young people colored and white. "united we stand, divided we fall. could you in any way aid the colored boy I have mentioned. he has good and strong features. was clean and manerly. and showed proper intelegence. seems he has been studying music to advance himself. he said he had been obliged to leave school.

I am depend on the "relief" for food, I believe this experience is opinion me because of its opportunity of getting knowledge along certain lines. but I am not unemployed. G. A. H.

I hope all this letter will be of interest to you, but if it is not please be sure to read from the * on page 13, for the sake of a fine Christian colored boy such as is needed in this world.

His address is
Loree Dalton.
35-36 S. State St.
Chicago, Ill.

I will write again here as it will be easy to keep track of if you are interested.

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November 2, 1935.

Dear Dr. BuBois:

Thank you for your letter.

I emphatically believe that the time is ripe for a Negro encyclopedia and am happy to know that its production is under consideration again.

Naturally I should be delighted to contribute to it if your board of editors should find a subject which it believes I can develop satisfactorily. Even so I am sorry you are asking white writers to contribute. The Negro is quite capable of telling his own story and when his encyclopedia is written I think it ought to be written by him. I think it would be highly creditable to the Negro to do this job himself.

At all events I should be pleased to have you advise me of any important developments of the tentative plans.

Sincerely,

X Grove C Hall
Editor.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta, Georgia.

X GROVE C HALL

14-16-23

October 10, 1935

Hampton Institute
Hampton, Virginia

Gentlemen:

May I ask if you have for sale an edition of the "Hampton Songs" and if so, what the price is?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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December 13, 1935

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The Registrar of
Hampton Institute
Hampton, Virginia

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly send me a copy of your last catalogue.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Dr. W.E. Burghardt DuBois,
226 W. 150th Street,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

We feel somehow that you would like the autographed copy of:

"THERE'S A RED GLOW IN THE SKY ABOVE VESUVIUS"

captioned: "VESUVIUS," sent you in today's mail.

We call it "A timely plea for Peace" in view of the turbulent international situation, while Christendom are rehearsing their carols of PEACE ON EARTH and GOODWILL TO ALL MEN.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

W. C. Handy

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FRANK H. HANKINS
62 KENSINGTON AV.
NORTHAMPTON, MASS.

October 9, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

14-26-72

I am very much inclined to feel that the time is ripe for an Encyclopedia of the Negro. As the explanation accompanying your letter states, there has been a very great increase of genuinely scholarly literature on the Negro during the past decade and the growth both of more objective and judicial attitude and of a deeper understanding of the problems involved in the Negro problem in this country. I think it quite certain that a work of the proportions you suggest would be warmly received. It would be essential, of course, that your ideals of scholarship and scientific objectivity and candor should be carried out. Such a work could be easily spoiled by too much special pleading, whether favorable or unfavorable, to popular attitudes toward the Negro question.

I feel honored to be asked to contribute. I must confess, however, a certain doubtfulness as to my expertness with respect to any particular problems. At one time I gave a great deal attention to Negro anthropology; but on this, as on most other matters relating to the Negro in America, I have a feeling that others are more expert than myself. This is largely due to the fact that my interests have been broad rather than highly specialized. When you get down to the actual task of assigning topics, however, I might be considered for something in the fields of human biology, demography or sociology.

Very sincerely yours

F. H. Hankins

FHH:AT

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 1, 1935

Mr. William L. Hansberry
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hansberry:

I am negotiating with my publishers to get out a new edition of my little book, "The Negro", which will be practically a new volume. Your work has always been a great help to me. I am wondering if in the last year or so you have published anything about the Negro in Africa, or if you are planning to? If so, I should be very glad to see copies.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

March 15, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Your letter of some several days ago came just as I was leaving for lecture engagements in New England, hence my delay in the reply.

I regret to have to say that I have not yet published any of the work which I sent or mentioned to you in my last communications. Two years ago I completed the foundation - research on the History of Ancient Ethiopia. That done, I perhaps should have taken your advice and promptly published the material. Just about that time, however, Oxford University began the excavations of a most important site in Ethiopia. Knowing the value of what would be revealed through this effort, I decided to await at least the preliminary reports of the findings.

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In the meantime, I turned my attention to a task I had long contemplated - a thorough examination into the sources on the history of Greater Ethiopia in the Medieval period. As I had anticipated, I found this a most engaging and fruitful field and in a short while was deeply absorbed with it, almost to the exclusion of anything else. By redoubling my efforts, I am now drawing close to the end of the basic research necessary to this study. I am now making a strenuous effort to be relieved from my teaching schedule next year in order that I may devote my full time to the final drafts of the manuscripts of each of these studies. In the event that the leave is granted, I shall have ready for publication next spring, the study Imperial Ethiopia in Antiquity - a study of the Ancient Negro in the Arts of War and Peace. By the end of the summer of 1936, I hope also to have in the publisher's hands the second study - Imperial Ethiopia in the Middle Ages - a study of the Medieval Negro in the Affairs of Church and State.

Although Dr. Wesley has strongly recommended my leave for next year, Dean Davis, on the basis of a technicality, has taken a determined stand against it. The matter is to be decided by the President and the Trustees at the Spring meeting of the Board.

In connection with the appeal I am making to the President and the Board, I am now preparing certain materials which incidently may be of some service to you in the projected revision of "The Negro". I owe much to you for that work and consider it both a privilege and obligation to serve you in any way I can in the effort to bring out the new edition. Within the next two or three weeks I shall send you copies of the mentioned material, together with a list of some new publications - books and articles - which may have escaped your attention. Wishing for you much success in the new undertaking, I am

Very sincerely yours,

William Leo Hansberry

Wm. L. Hansberry

LBS.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 18, 1935

Mr. William L. Hansberry
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of March 15 has been received. Dr. Du Bois is at present attending an Economic Conference of the Negro in Texas at Prairie View. Upon his return, your letter will be brought to his attention.

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 3, 1935

14-20-8

Mr. William L. Hansberry
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hansberry:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 15. I shall await with great pleasure the material which you promised to send me.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 6, 1935

14-23-37

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I am deeply gratified to learn that plans are being revived for the purpose of issuing the contemplated encyclopedia on the Negro. I heartily agree with you that the time is ripe for the consummation of this undertaking and pledge to you and your associates my service and support in the effort.

I note from the leaflet describing the proposed undertaking that the articles will be confined primarily to the American Negro but that it is thought advisable to preface these with a section treating of the history and civilization of the Negro and Negroid peoples in Africa. It is here that I may perhaps be able to render some little service. It is my impression that there should be a series of brief articles summarizing the major results of modern archaeological, anthropological and historical research in Africa and particularly as these relate to the achievements of the Negro. Specifically, I think there might be a statement on (1) Africa as the birthplace of the human race; (2) Africa as the cradle land of civilization; (3) The black race as empire builders in antiquity; (4) The black race as empire builders in the Middle Ages; (5) Causes of the decline and fall of Negro civilizations in Africa.

Dr. Herskovits is now engaged on a study of the African territorial origins of the American Negro. From what I know of his effort, it appears that this is going to be a very valuable contribution to our knowledge of the relationship between the American Negro and the African Negro. A statement summarizing his findings would, I am certain, be invaluable in such a publication as you propose. Dr. Herskovits, I am sure, would be glad to write you such an article and I will be pleased to prepare for you a statement or statements on the other general topics which I have suggested.

Wishing for you success in this timely venture, I am

Very sincerely yours,

William Leo Hansberry

William Leo Hansberry.

LBS.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 3, 1935

Mr. Alfred Harcourt
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

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My dear Mr. Harcourt:

Enclosed please find my check for ($250.00) Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars, which represents the additional amount contributed by the Carnegie Fund to pay the expenses of corrections in the proof of "Black Reconstruction". This, with the $250.00 already sent you, makes a total sum of $500, which according to your estimate will cover the cost.

The proof is all ready to be returned to you, and also I have finished the index. I am having the index, however, carefully checked for a third time so as to avoid any necessity of corrections on that proof. I shall mail the corrected galley proof and the manuscript of the index next week.

As soon as you have decided, I should like to know when you plan for the book to appear, as I am having several inquiries.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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January 9, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-25-52-41

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Mr. Harcourt is absent from the office, and so I am writing to acknowledge your letter of January third together with your check for $250. I shall, of course, call your letter to Mr. Harcourt's attention when he returns.

Sincerely yours,

Catherine McCarthy

Secretary to Mr. Harcourt

CMc

January 14, 1935

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Pearce:

Enclosed are the permissions, etc., for using the poetry in the book "Black Reconstruction".

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Chapter III., p. 54 James Rorty, Permissions (3.), (4.) and (5).

Chapters IV and V., pp. 83 and 126, from Julia Ward Howe and Schiller, (no permissions required.)

Chapter VI., p. 180, from James Maurice Thompson. Thompson died in 1901. This poem was published in the New York INDEPENDENT, which is also defunct. No permission for reproduction is, therefore, possible or necessary.

Chapter VII, p. 235, Jessie Fauset. Permission (6.).

Chapter VIII, p. 323, William Rose Benét, Permission (7.) and (8.).

Chapter IX., p. 379, James Jeffery Roche. Roche is dead and the publication in which this poem appeared, The INDEPENDENT, is suspended. No permission, therefore, is necessary.

Chapter X, Ralph Waldo Emerson, p. 429. No copyright.

Chapter XI, L. S. Oliver, p. 485. M. Graham, editor of the Anthology where I found this poem writes me concerning Oliver and A. W. Thomas. According to letter (9.).

Chapter XII, Charles S. S. Wood, Permission (10.).

Chapter XIII, A. W. Thomas, p. 577 (See Graham's letter...(9.).

Chapter XIV, p. 835, Fannie Stearns Davis, Permissions (11.), (12.), (13.), (14.).

Chapter XV, James Weldon Johnson, p. 667, Permissions (15.) and (16.).

Chapter XVI, Oscar Wilde, p. 709. (No copyright.)

Chapter XVII, p. 727, George Sterling. This permission I have not yet secured, but will do so before the book is published, even if I have to pay the $10 which is demanded. Sterling is dead. His book of poems from which this quotation comes was published by A. M. Robertson. Robertson is dead but left a widow and son. I have not been able to get in touch with the son but the widow demands $10.

I trust that these permission when supplemented by that of Sterling will be satisfactory.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Enclosures

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 14, 1935

14-36-3

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Pearce:

I am sending herewith the final corrected paged proof and the manuscript of the index. If it is not too much trouble, I should like to see the corrected copy of the paged proof. Also, I have not seen the corrected galley of the bibliography. In those galleys, I should like to have inserted under the Monographs by white historians, the following entry:

Frederic A. Bancorft, "A Sketch of the Negro in Politics, Especially in South Carolina and Mississippi". New York, 1885.

I should be glad to know at your earliest convenience just when you now expect the book to appear.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enc. herewith

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Telephone: ELdorado 5-7920
Cable Address: Harbrace, New York

January 16, 1935.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

14-25-3

I have been away, and so have just read your letter of January third. We can't really decide on a date of publication until we have all the finally corrected proofs back in our hands. I should estimate that it will take at least a month after we receive the proofs from you in which to get the book in final shape to print, and then to print and bind. We ought to allow at least three weeks between the date on which we have complete copies and the date of publication so as to give the reviewers some time to digest the volume and yet have reviews appear somewhere near the date of publication. From this outline, you can see that publication date will be toward the end of March.

Sincerely yours,

Alfred Harcourt

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 17, 1935

Mr. Alfred Harcourt
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

1925

My dear Mr. Harcourt:

I shall be in New York the week of January 20 and will be glad to talk with you or Mr. Pearce about my book. I shall telephone you Tuesday, January 20.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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January 17, 1935

H-25-4

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

X C Many thanks for sending us the letters granting you permission to quote the various poems in BLACK RECONSTRUCTION. We are filing these letters with our copy of the contract.

Our manufacturing department feels that we will be again considerably delayed if we take time out to send you corrected page proof, and I feel sure that they can be depended upon to see that all your corrections have been made. It seems most unwise, therefore, to send corrected page proof down to you.

Miss Bockmeyer tells me that proof of the bibliography page will be sent you as soon as it is ready.

Yours sincerely,

Chas. Pearce

CAP

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 18, 1935

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

14-23-9

My dear Mr. Pearce:

In my bibliography, among the unpublished theses, is mentioned a thesis by Clement done at the University of Chicago. This is a mistake. It should be Northwestern University. Will you kindly see that this correction is made.

I have written Mr. Harcourt saying that I am going to be in town the week of January 20, and shall make an appointment.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 30, 1935

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

14-30-10

My dear Mr. Pearce:

Just as soon as you can, will you let me know the exact price at which my book is going to be sold. I am going to undertake to see if something systematic cannot be done for its sale among Negroes. The ordinary channels of book-selling do not reach even educated Negroes, particularly in the South.

I have in my office the names and addresses of perhaps 250 personal friends. I want to write to them. First, I am going to send a post-card announcement of the publication of the book, a short note of its nature and price. A few weeks later, I am going to ask these friends to send me names of persons who would be interested. I think without doubt I could get at least 1,000 such names. I shall then try to take up with these people (A.) promises to buy the books themselves, (B.) promises to get it in local schools and public libraries, and before book clubs.

I think that in this way the book can be pushed in lines which your organization would not ordinarily reach. It is not easy, particularly in Southern towns and cities, to get even well-known current books. On a recent automobile trip, I stopped in a city of fifty thousand inhabitants. The one book store there had only a circulating library of novels, and not a single current volume for sale.

I think I might make this movement the basis for a "Negro Book of the Year Group", so that several thousand Negroes might pledge themselves to buy one book, preferably by a Negro author, or at least on a theme in which Negroes would be particularly interested, by a sympathetic author.

I shallbe glad for you to bring this matter to the attention of your advertising department in case they might be willing and able to co-operate with me in any way.

Very sincerely yours

WEBD/DW

W. E. B. Du Bois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 31, 1935

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Pearce:

There was one matter I meant to bring to your attention in proof-reading. The assistant who read the proof the last time in several cases queried my statement that slaves were real estate. She wanted to change it to property, evidently not knowing the facts.

As a matter of fact, slaves in Southern law were real estate and not personal property. I wanted to tell you this, so that if the matter comes up again, you will know the facts.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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February 6, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-25-8

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have given your letter of January 30th to Miss Taylor who is in charge of our advertising and publicity. She tells me that we will be glad to cooperate with you in the various preliminaries you mention. For example, we are planning ourselves to send a postcard announcement of the book, giving a short description of its nature, publication date, and price, to history professors and others on selected lists. We can therefore print up a quantity of these cards for your personal use. Miss Taylor will also want to hear if anything along the line of a Negro Book of the Year Group develops. This should be excellent publicity for the book, and I do hope that you can arrange it.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Pearce

CAP

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 9, 1935

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Pearce:

I should be very glad to have 300 of those post cards when you print them up. I have been talking among my colleagues about the idea of a book-of-the-year club, and I am corresponding with others about it. I will let you know as soon as I have any definite conclusions.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 14, 1935

14-25-10

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Pearce:

Enclosed is a letter from the widow of the publisher of Sterling's poem which I quote in the last chapter of my book. I have sent them a check for $10., and the formal permission should come from the heir of A. M. Robertson, the publisher. He is in Europe, as you can see. The widow says that he is returning soon.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 28, 1935

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

IV-25-11

My dear Mr. Pearce:

I have received the enclosed letter from Robertson, owner of the copyright to Sterling's poem, which I quote in the last chapter. He returned the $10 check, and I have sent him a $7.50 check instead. You will note what he says in the postscript.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 4, 1935

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

14-30-19

My dear Mr. Pearce:

I trust you will not forget that I have not yet seen the proof sheets of the bibliography, title page, dedication, table of contents, etc.

I have recently found on page 355 another correction. Of course, it is probably too late for change. Nevertheless, I shall send it along.

In the 5th paragraph, counting from the bottom of the page, 2nd line, reads: "War of the poor white men of the South who forced the slaveholders into the war." It should read, of course: "War of the poor white men of the South who were forced by the slaveholders into the war."

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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March 6, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

14-30-20

In going over the corrected page proofs of BLACK RECONSTRUCTION, I find that no indication of the source of the following quotations, appearing on pages 33 and 48 respectively, appears either in the text or footnotes. If you will be kind enough to let me know the sources of these, I shall insert footnotes to that effect as it seems important that they should not go unidentified.

> "It is a fact that the political working of the State (of South Carolina) is in the hands of one hundred and fifty to one hundred and eighty men. It has taken me six months to appreciate the entireness of the fact, though of course I had heard it stated."

> "A suspicion of heresy on the subject of the 'peculiar institution' was sufficient to declare the ineligibility of any candidate for office; nay, more, orthodoxy began to depend upon the correct attitude toward the doctrine of 'Squatter Sovereignity' and the extreme view held as to the protection of slavery in the territories."

Our printer also raises a question concerning the quotation from the "Ode to Joy"; I am enclosing their note and would greatly appreciate your giving us the definitive version of this poem. While "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" is familiar enough to all not to need Julia Ward Howe's name, it does seem as if this also should be identified.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Sloan

SS

P. S. Your letter to Mr. Pearce of March 4th has just come in. I shall see to it that the change on page 355 is made. Proofs of the bibliography, title page, dedication, and table of contents will be sent to you in about a week.

SS.

[ENCLOSURE]

BLACK RECONSTRUCTION

Page 126

The quote from Schiller's "Ode to Joy" is full of errors. Without a copy of the German original at hand we cannot correct it properly, but we think it ought to read thus:

Freude, schöne Götterfunkeln,

Tochter aus Elysium,

Wir betreten, Feuertrunken,

Himlische, dein Heiligtum!

Deiner Zauber bindet wieder

Was die Mode streng geteilt,

Alle Menschen werden Brüder

Wo dein sanftes Flügeln weilt. . . .

Seid umschlungen, Millionen, ...

Alle Menschen, alle Menschen!

14-30-21

doubtful
We are particularly/about the spacing as between lines but think this fairly represents the original stanza-breaks.

Although a long dash has been used over similar verse extracts elsewhere we think it was in error that one was inserted here on the author's pages, since the text is punctuated to read continuously with the excerpt. Also, should there not be some evidence of the source of the quotation, as in other places? The insertion of Julia Ward Howe's name after the excerpt from "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" was queried on author's page 83 and struck off.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 8, 1935

Mr. Samuel Sloan
C/O HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

14-30-22

My dear Mr. Sloan:

Enclosed are the three matters concerning which you asked: the reference for the quotations on pages 33 and 48, and the exact text of the quotation from Schiller's "Ode to Joy". "The Battle Hymn of Republic" is not only familiar, but it has been used so continually in reference to the Civil War that I do not think it needs any identification. However, I do not object to having Mrs. Howe's name attached. I should think that any reference to the text would be entirely superfluous.

I have come across one other error that may have been corrected: on page 182, "Thaddeus Stephens" should of course be "Thaddeus Stevens".

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosures

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 16, 1935

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Pearce:

14-30-23

The following Negro newspapers have the largest circulation and the widest influence:

Mr. Robert Abbott, CHICAGO DEFENDER, 3435 Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Robert L. Vann, THE PITTSBURGH COURIER, Centre Avenue, at Francis Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Murphy, THE AFRO-AMERICAN, 628 North Eutaw Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mr. Walton, THE NEW YORK AGE, 230 West 135th Street, New York.

Mr. Davis, THE AMSTERDAM NEWS, 2293 Seventh Avenue, New York.

Mr. P. B. Young, NORFOLK JOURNAL AND GUIDE, 719 East Olney Road, Norfolk, Virginia.

Mr. E. Washington Rhodes, PHILADELPHIA TRIBUNE, 526 South 16 Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

There is also an ASSOCIATED NEGRO PRESS, 3423 Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, which sends out news returns to a large number of papers. Mr. C. A. Barnett is in charge, and he could do a good deal in the line of publicity.

There are several columnists who appear frequently in the Negro papers:

J. A. Rogers, C/O THE AMSTERDAM NEWS, Theophilus Lewis, C/O THE AMSTERDAM NEWS, George Schuyler, C/O THE PITTSBURGH COURIER, William Pickens, 69 Fifth Avenue, New York, Kelly Miller, Howard University, Washington, D. C.

There are a few colored trained experts in history and economics:

C. G. Woodson, The Associated Publishers, 1538 Ninth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., Abram Harris, Howard University, Washington, D.C., E. Franklin Frazier, Howard University, Washington, D. C., Emmett Dorsey, Howard University, Washington, D.C., and Benjamin Brawley, Howard University, Washington, D.C.

Mr. Charles Pearce

OPPORTUNITY MAGAZINE, 1133 Broadway, New York, and THE CRISIS Magazine, 69 Fifth Avenue, New York, ought to have copies. Elmer Carter is Editor of OPPORTUNITY, and Roy Wilkins, Editor of THE CRISIS.

In the newspapers, especially a carefully prepared review, bringing out the main features, ought to be prepared, and will probably be published.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-30-24

Harcourt Brace + Co.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 5, 1935

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Pearce:

When will "Black Reconstruction" appear?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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April 8, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-30-25

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have been out of town for several weeks and have not been able to keep in close touch with the progress of your book. Mr. Sloan, however, has been taking care of all the questions that have arisen.

The manufacturing department tells me this morning that we plan to publish the book "some time in May". Because of the extensive corrections that are being made in the proofs, it is impossible to forecast the publishing date any more accurately than that. I imagine that this means it will be ready for publication about the middle or third week of May.

Yours sincerely,

Chas. Pearce

CAP

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April 17, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

14-30-26

Dear Doctor Du Bois:-

Here are final proofs of the front matter. Will you be good enough to return the marked set to us with your ok or note of corrections. A duplicate set is enclosed for your record.

Sincerely,

HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY

geb:hmc

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April 20, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

14-30-27

Dear Doctor Du Bois:-

We are sending some final page proofs with various queries which we really feel you should answer. Naturally we should like to have them answered with as little resetting as possible. It is absolutely necessary that the corrections fit the page since the balance of the book has been released to foundry and press.

May we earnestly request that you return these to us not later than Wednesday. We are enclosing a return envelope for your convenience. May we have the front matter at the same time?

Sincerely,

Harcourt, Brace and Company

HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY

geb:hmc

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 22, 1935

IV-30-28

Miss G. E. Bockmeyer
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Miss Bockmeyer:

I am returning the title pages and the paged proofs.

In the galley proofs, there are some refinements of corrections which hardly seem to be necessary. For instance, I have said continually: "between 1864-1874," and the proof reader has changed this to during. That does not seem to me to be necessary. It is perfectly clear with bet een, although it might have been written out without the hyphen and taken more space.

It does not seem to me on page 496 that it is necessary for any further explanation. There were in Georgia, H. V. Johnson and Governor Johnson, and they are quite well-known to students of Georgian history.

The queries on page 503 and 504, are not important.

On pages 536 and following, where I have turned from North Carolina to other states, I have put the names of the other states in itallics, and I think this would make it easier for the reader to understand.

On page 627, there were 22 Congressmen, but 6 of them came after the period that I am confining myself to in this book, and, therefore, I have made corrections accordingly, and did not put in the names of the other 6.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 25, 1935

14-30-29

Mr. Charles Pearce
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Pearce:

I noticed that in one of the introductory pages of my book, the other books published by Harcourt, Brace and Company are listed. I suppose it would not be usual for books not published by Harcourt, Brace and Company, which I have written, to be mentioned. I venture to enumerate them:

"Suppression of the African Slave Trade to the United States and America"

"Souls of Black Folk".

"Quest of the Silver Fleece".

"The Philadelphia Negro".

"John Brown".

"The Gift of Black Folk".

"The Negro".

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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April 24, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-30-30

Dear Dr. DuBois:

We note that in Harry Robertson's letter to you concerning the permission to reprint the George Sterling poem, he states that we must not only credit him with this permission, but also give the title of the volume from which the poem was taken. Will you let me know by return air mail what it is?

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Sloan

SS

April 25, 1935

Telegram

Make a friend for
Mrs. Sloan

CHARGE TO ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

Mr. Samuel Sloan
C/O HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Title of Sterling volume is Stop In the Market Place

W. E. B. Du Bois

14-30-32

x

Night letter

Make a copy for mrs. Strong

CHARGE TO ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

April 25, 1935

14-30-31

Mr. Samuel Sloan
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

My telegram this morning was incorrect Stop The name of Sterlings poem is In the Market Place Stop Name of book Selected Poems

W. E. B. Du Bois

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April 25, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-25-12

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Mr. Pearce has referred to me your letter of April 23rd concerning the titles of your other books not published by us. You are correct in your supposition that it is not usual to list such other titles, and since the plate for this page has already been cast, I trust you will understand our reluctance to make any change in it.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Sloan.

SS

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 26, 1935

Mr. Samuel Sloan
HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY, Inc.
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

I-C-2-B-3

My dear Mr. Sloan:

In answer to your letter of April 4, I wired you yesterday to say that the name of Sterling's poem is "In the Market Place", and the title of the book, "Selected Poems".

Very sincerely yours

W. E.B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Telegram.

Make copy for Marshing

CHARGE TO ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

May 28, 1935

14-25-14

HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Have received no copy of my book Stop Bookmeyer promised it for

Twenty-Second

W. E. B. Du Bois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 29, 1935

HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

14-25-15

Gentlemen:

Attention of Mr. Pearce

I want to buy Pareto's "Mind in Society". Is there any discount you can offer me? Kindly write me at: 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, New York.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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June 4, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-25-16

Dear Dr. DuBois:

As Mr. Pearce is busy with jury duty this week, your letter of May 29th has come to my attention. We shall be glad to allow you a discount of 25% on THE MIND AND SOCIETY by Pareto.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Sloan

SS

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June 18, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-52-17

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I find in our safe the enclosed illustration which we decided not to use in the book. Undoubtedly you will want to preserve it in your own files.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Pearce

CAP

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 22nd, 1935

14-25-18

Mr. Samuel Sloane
c/o Harcourt Brace and Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Sloane:

Following your letter of June 4th, I am enclosing my check for Fifteen ($15.00) Dollars for a copy of Pareto's "The Mind and Society."

If you can deliver it at my residence, all right. If not, have it packed up and I will call for it.

Very sincerely yours,

webd/s

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

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June 24, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Apartment 5 J
226 West 150 Street
New York, N. Y.

61-52-41

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I am sorry to say that our truck does not go up as far as West 150th Street. Therefore, I am having the set of Pareto wrapped and held for you here at our office where you may pick it up any time.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Sloan

SS

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June 25, 1935.

Dr. W.E. B. Du Bois
226 West 150 Street
New York City.

14-30-78

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

The extraordinary press notices which have greeted BLACK RECONSTRUCTION have probably delighted you as much as they have us. We are enclosing some of the major reviews in the event that you may have missed some of them.

We have decided to make a circular instead of a postal card, which, in the fall, will go out to libraries and historians, and now will be distributed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and by one or two bookstores.

I have a note that you wish 300 of these, and I am writing to make sure of that now, because the circular is being set up, and we shall print it in about a week.

Some of the people to whom we sent complimentary copies at your suggestion have acknowledged them with extremely nice comments. Mr. Brawley sent us a gratifying letter. Abram Harris telephoned, and Benjamin Stolberg has talked to me about it.

Sincerely yours,
Helen C. Taylor
Harcourt, Brace and Company

P.S.-
One of our salesmen requests that we obtain for a special friend of his, who is a collector of sorts, an autographed copy of BLACK RECONSTRUCTION. If we sent you the book, and reimbursed you for returning it to us, would you be willing to sign a copy?

HKT/b

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 1st, 1935

14-25-20

Mr. Charles Pearce
c/o Harcourt Brace and Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Pearce:

I do not know the gentleman who has written the enclosed letter, but I am passing the note on to you.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBDuBois/s
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5[illegible]226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 8th, 1935

Harcourt, Brace and Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

14-25-21

Attention: Mr. Pearce

My dear Mr. Pearce:

Enclosed are two letters asking for review copies. I think that both represent rather interesting constituents. Haynes is head of the Race Relations Department of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, and has a good many contacts.

Herberg is a right-wing Socialist and would be the best one to bring the work to the attention of many Socialists.

I enclose these letters for your judgment.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

P.S. - Will you kindly let me know at what discount I may order copies of my book?

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July 10, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Apartment 5 J
226 West 150 Street
New York, N. Y.

14-25-22

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Thank you for your letter of July 9th. I have handed to Miss Taylor the two letters asking for review copies. It seems to me that we ought to send books to these two people.

I am sorry that no one has told you that you are entitled to buy as many copies of your book as you wish at the usual author's discount of 40%. I had intended to write to you about this some time ago.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Pearce

CAP

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July 26, 1935

W. E. B. DuBois, Esq.
226 West 150th Street
New York City

14-30-88

Dear Mr. DuBois:

We have just come to the end of an accounting period and we find that the author's alterations in BLACK RECONSTRUCTION in excess of 15% of the cost of composition come to $555.87. In addition to this we paid $14.00 for the index. Of course, there is no additional charge to you but we thought you might like to know what the alteration charges actually amounted to.

Very sincerely,

Margaret G. Cuff

Harcourt, Brace and Company
Assistant Treasurer

MGC:GMS

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October 11, 1935

Harcourt, Brace and Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Please send me (5) copies of Black Reconstruction. I would like to have the author's discount.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

HARCOURT, BRACE AND COMPANY, INC.
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Telephone: ELdorado 5-7920
Cable Address: Harbrace, New York

October 25, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
226 West 150 Street
New York, N. Y.

14-25-23
14-25-41

Dear Dr. DuBois:

We are enclosing some duplicate reviews of BLACK RECONSTRUCTION which you may wish to keep for your records.

Very truly yours,

M E Brooks

Harcourt, Brace and Company

November 23, 1935

Harcourt Brace and Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York:

Gentlemen:

Please send me (5) copies of my book, "Black Reconstruction", and bill me at the author's discount.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

December 12, 1935

Harcourt, Brace and Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find my check for ($14.35) Fourteen Dollars and Thirty-Five Cents in payment of your bill of December 4.

Please send me (5) more copies of "Black Reconstruction" with author's discount.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

December 14, 1935

Harcourt, Brace and Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

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Gentlemen:

If you have three or four extra jackets of "Black Reconstruction" on hand, I should be glad if you could send them to me at your earliest convenience.

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

December 16, 1935

Harcourt, Brace and Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Will you kindly send immediately to Dr. Virginia Alexander, 2104 Jefferson Street, Philadelphia, (5) copies of my book "Black Reconstruction" with author's discount. Please send the book here to me at Atlanta University.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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226 West 150 Street
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New York, New York

August 30, 1935

Mrs. Maud Cuney Hare
160 Huskins Avenue
Squantum, Massachusetts

14-16-6

My dear Maud:

I have been away for the summer camping in Maine. I went by water and did not touch Boston. On my return, Mrs. Du Bois tells me that she has heard through Mr. Burroughs that you have not been very well. I trust you are better now.

This is just a greeting in order to know just what your condition is. Let me hear from you at your convenience.

My best regards to you and to Will.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[CHAUD HARE]

Letter Day 160 Huckins Ave
Sgrantum

14-16-7

Dear Dr. DuBois —

This is a scrawl, Du, to say that I am sorry Boston is so far off the beaten track — it would have been comforting to have seen you before you go South for the winter. Since Charles B. came over 10 days ago to see me, I have been very ill, so now I am not only still a-bed, but not equal to sitting up. I did not know there could be such acute pain in the world. We reached a doctor quickly thro one of my pupils' parents here — one of the best, so put to sleep

for long blessed hours of relief. As soon as I can be moved, there is to be an Xray taken and likely Xray treatments afterwards. Cut nerves the foundation of the trouble — will know exactly after the Xrays. Shall be so glad when I can get up. Friends are so kind — my neighbors keep me in flowers and personal friends come out for a chat. Two discussions I tabo — "operations" and "hospitals".

So if you do come this way before going distances, do not visualize me in sack cloth and ashes.

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3 I had so hoped to have had a long talk with you — for instance —

a Would Atlanta "papers" be interested in groups of talented Arabian musicians from time before Mohammet — Arabian-Negro. I came across in digging in library — I have a Syrian-Arabic speaking friend, leader of Syrians here. He keeps me straight on data, when I need him.

b While in bed, completed dates of early Amer. publishers so as to date my early Amer. compositions in collection — I have one Hillair DuBois of N.J. — Wonder if he is an

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ancestor of yours—
Clarence Cameron White is here
& live—took the Sheridan &
J. Pl. house. (Hampton Inn.
an awful place.) Clarence
& Beadie have been out and
we have had delightful
talks.
I am trying to plan some-
thing that I can do, even
tho facing invalidism—
But I hope to be much
better—later. Galsworthy (at his
best)—I held up until the
shafts were pulled out, and like
a weary horse, I fell down!
I have been in bed one
month. It is lovely here at home,
& I am thankful for my sunny
room to be held in—and to
receive friends—I hope the family will.
Hope to hear from you—Maud.

P.S

Of course shall be relieved & have the trip to the hospital & x-ray taken, in the back-ground. If pain does'nt soon lessen sufficiently for me to go in taxi, doctor says they can deaden the pain so I can be moved. Then we will know "what is what" —

I am an awful coward! I just get so frightened of pain. But I do my own best.

As Ever Sincerely
M.

14-16-9

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 10, 1935

Mrs. Maud Cuney Hare
100 Hucking Avenue
Squantum, Massachusetts

14-16-11

My dear Maud,

I do hope this is going to find you easier and with happier prospects than when you wrote. I very much hope that I can get to Boston sometime this fall, but now I have got my hands full. First, we are going to move into a smaller apartment since Yolande has gone back to teaching in Baltimore, and then I have got to rush on to Atlanta for the opening of school. But I expect to be back once or twice before Christmas.

I am pushing the publication of the Encyclopedia of the Negro and I shall certainly want your co-operation.

My best love to you and to Will

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

160 Hutchins Ave.
Squantum, Mass.
13th Oct. 1935

My dear Mr. ——

I am having your business letter relative to Negro Ency. answered within few days. I am hoping that in spite of my present condition, you will hold the work open for me.

You will be surprised to know that your personal letter of last month, was handed to me in my room at the Mass. Gen'l. Hospital where I was sent for X-ray "pictures" and then X-ray treatments. After some days

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was allowed to come home where I have been very sick. But so glad to be home. According to my 2 doctors, (and best possible care), the x-ray treatments failed and they gave hopeless view of the case. Never-the-less, wanted me to return to hospital this month.

I have set aside the medical decree, for you know I believe in the omnipotence of God. I am daily growing better, so have been able to sit up for 2 hours a day the past few days.

I am hopeful that I may return to a useful life. I have decided to remain in Spantum all winter, as we will be more comfortable in my own home. My friends have been marvellously kind, and Spantum folk besiege me with flowers and delicacies. I have not been able to have some one permanently stay here with me, but friends have filled the breach. Shall have someone for the winter and I can be happy here. My Spantum pupils are waiting for me, so I trust I can take a number

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of them later on, as I would not have to go out of the house.

I have not been equal to writing at all; this is one of my first scrawls.

I hope you have a happy and prosperous winter. If you come East, come see me.

Maud

P.S. Did you see the funny picture in last weeks' Guardian, supposed to be me! I wonder who sat for it!

160 Huckins Avenue
Squantum, Mass.
October 15, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia

14-21-31

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Acknowledging yours of October 7th in re: Negro Encyclopedia. Beyond doubt, the time is ripe for a Negro Encyclopedia. To correct misrepresentations; to dissemble race information; to perpetuate the names of those who have achieved distinction, and who have made history for the race.

As a contributor, I shall be happy to treat Musical Subjects and Characters.

Very sincerely yours,

MCH:ELA

Maude Cuney Hare

October 29, 1935

Mrs. Maud Cuney Hare
160 Huckins Avenue
Squantum, Massachusetts

My dear Maud:

I'm sorry to know of your continued pain and hope it may be better by this time. Whenever there's any little thing that I can do, let me know.

I have been writing about "The Negro in Politics" and used your book about your father. I came across the picture of you printed in there which is so much like you the first time I saw you. Do you remember? After all, they cannot take away memories, can they?

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My best love and hope for the new health and strength.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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14-16-12

Squantum, Mass
Nov. 5 - 1935

My dear Lu —

I was happy to have your letter. Your mention of picture, brings to mind "Galahad" in the brown suit! Devotion to a Cause — fulfilled.

I am now in bed but hope to sit up again some day. Back gets so tired, suppose should have gotten a back-rest as it isn't easy for me to move myself in bed and no one can touch me to help. But it is just one more thing, altho but four or five

Dollars - I am still looking for a woman to come keep house & help out in nursing. Have hope of soon finding some one, as friends are looking for me.

Thanks deeply, for your wish to join friends in adding to my pleasure.

3 months on my back seems nothing to rest for my aching back.

I shall be better soon!! Hope you have a happy Thanksgiving. So glad you are using Papa's typograph. Mama.

14-16-13

P.S.

We are staying home this winter. I am not able to be moved anyway. Probably will be more comfortable here after all.

If you come near Boston, come see me. Pardon scrawl as I am writing flat in bed.

November 8, 1935

Mrs. Maud Cuney Hare
160 Hawkins Avenue
Squantum, Massachusetts

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My dear Maud:

Here's a check to make sure that you have that back-rest. You must be made as comfortable as possible. I hope the pain is not as bad. Probably I shall not get North before Christmas time. I hope I can, but I doubt it.

All good wishes and the best of hopes

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

15-16-31

Mount Carmel Haven Wednesday
20th Nov.

My dear Lu —

I managed to sit up out of bed today for half an hour!!!

Had such a bad week could not write to acknowledge your kind thought of me. It was so good of you.

They got me a back-rest on approval but nurse found I could not use it because I have to be covered

quickly at times —
Instead have
just as great a
comfort — will tell you
I have been proofreading later
galley sheets + my
Music history past
3 days - quite an
ordeal in bed —
I have done best
I can with it —
Book will not be

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What I wish for,
but at least it is
finished —

All good wishes
to you & pray I may
be better soon —
each day seems so.

Thanks, Lu —

Klaus

I have a housekeeper at
last — a Texas woman —

24 Claremont Pk.
Boston, Mass.

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois

1914-16-15

Dear Du,

We decided sodden ly to come to Boston for the winter, where I could have care and no bother with the heating question.

We are at 24 Claremont Pk. near Massachosetts Avenue off Columbus Avenue. Our private telephone is Kenmore 8977.

Had a bad week

due to the strain of moving, but hope to feel better soon.

I am Glad to say the book is practically ready for the bindery.

All good wishes to you and the family for a happy Christmas from Will and me.

Sincerely yours,

Maud

Maud Coney-Hare

A.M.H.

Dec. 16, 1935.

December 20, 1935

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Mrs. Maud Cuney Hare
2 4 Claremont Park
Boston, Massachusetts

My dear Maud:

I was glad to have a letter from you and to know that you are more comfortably situated for the winter. I am coming to New York for Christmas, but will not be able to get to Boston.

On the other hand, I'm hoping to be in Boston in February. I will let you know if I can come.

With best wishes for the Christmas season to you and Will. I am glad to hear about the book.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

November 21, 1935

The Editor of Harper's Magazine
New York, New York

Dear Sir:

May I bring to your attention the following situation which seems to me to call for an article in your magazine:

In the fall of 1935, a strike took place among the editorial writers and reporters on the Amsterdam News, a colored weekly published in Harlem. These writers had joined the new union in which Heywood Broun and others are interested.

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The strike was unsuccessful and the young writers lost their jobs and since they are colored, there is practically no opportunity for them to get other jobs of the same sort, except on other colored papers in New York or elsewhere.

This shows a peculiar dilemma. From most of the labor unions, Negroes are excluded, either in the constitution or by the ritual or by local action. In unions where they are admitted, they are in most cases discriminated against. It is fair to say that in the union movement, Negroes are barred from nine-tenths of the best paying jobs. In cases where they have underbid the union workers as scabs, they have often met the treatment of the molders in Chattanooga some years ago. The molders struck; non-union Negro laborers took their places; the molders obtained their union and asked Negroes to join; the Negroes joined; the employers made peace with the union and re-hired the white molders, leaving the Negro molders out.

The result is that in the best paying and new technique, Negroes cannot get an industrial foothold and in the older branches, they are being forced out, as for instance, as locomotive firemen.

In partial compensation for this industrial exclusion, the Negroes have long tried to establish their own businesses and hire Negro workers. Here they have had some success. There are manufacturing establishments, like Poro and Walker's Hair Preparation; there are insurance organizations with a number of employees and there are newspapers and retail stores.

In most of these cases, the Negro managers worked along with their employees and their income was from wages far more than from profits. In some cases, however, the Negro manager has become a capitalist. T

There are, for instance, four or five Negro weekly newspapers which have proved to be profitable investments and yielded their owners

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November 22, 1935

The Editor of Harper's Magazine
49 East 33 Street
New York, New York

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which have proved to be profitable investments and yielded their owners considerable incomes, from $5,000 to $25,000 a year; and most of this income has been profits and not wages.

Suppose, now, the employees of these Negro business institutions should join the labor movement and strike for higher wages. First of all, the Negro employers would complain that it is only by paying lower wages that they can meet the competition of white business and that for the most part, their profits are rewards for hard labor in the past; that if they try to pay union wages and fail, that the black laborers could not get jobs with white institutions; that the low wages paid by colored institutions is, therefore, better than no wage at all.

On the other hand, the white labor leaders say that unless Negroes are going to cease scabbing and join in collective bargaining to raise the rate of wages, they will keep down the wages of all labor. The Negroes in rebuttal point out that by the action of white laborers themselves they are getting smaller and smaller chance for renumerative work in any line and that, therefore, they must take what is offered in order to live.

Here is an extraordinary dilemma and a real one, and the only way out, as I see it, is producers' and consumers' co-operation among Negroes, the possibility of which the Negro intelligentsia denies and white labor leaders and white economists denounce as "Chauvinism".

Do you not think the above situation calls for an article? I shall be glad to have your judgment.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Look up carbon & send a copy to: The Crisis

HARPER'S MAGAZINE

Editorial Rooms

14-24-24

HARPER & BROTHERS
Publishers

49 EAST 33rd STREET
New York

November 25, 1935.

Dear Mr. Du Bois,

Thanks for your letter of November 22nd. Doubtless there is an article to be written on the situation which you describe, but our schedule is so heavily crowded for the coming months that I am reluctant to turn again to the Negro question at this time.

Sincerely yours,

L Stallman

W. E. B. Du Bois, Esq.,
Department of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

LFH/RD

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 4, 1935

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Mr. Abram Harris
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Harris:

I have just heard the good news through [illegible]. My heartiest congratulations!

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 8, 1936

Mr. Abram Harris
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

14-16-4

My dear Harris:

I wrote you yesterday and forgot to say one thing.

The place where you ought to work is the London School of Economics. Of course, you could do your work anywhere and accomplish something, but you need scholarly surroundings and contacts, and these you could get in London with Laski and his group. There ought to be lots of Marxiana loose about London. I think, too, you could live cheaply, and Mrs. Harris would enjoy the trip. I could give you one or two introductions that would help.

Of course, you may have already settled on your plans, but I want to get this suggestion so that you can think it over. New York is not a good place for intellectual work. London is better, and Paris, Berlin or Rome best, but in the last three come considerations of language, which would be too great a hindrance.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[Harris]

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

April 18, 1935

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

15-12-77

I am sorry that I missed you when you were here. I had to speak at the International Institute for Economic Research at Columbia University, and did not get back until Tuesday morning. Thank you for your interest in the work I hope to do under the fellowship. I plan to study in the library of the International Institute for about six months. Although it is not generally known, they have as fine a Marxist library as can be found anywhere outside of Russia. You will no doubt remember them as the Institute Für Sozial-Forschung which was kicked out of Germany by the Nazis. By late winter or early spring I shall go to the London school to see what Von Hayek and Von Mises are doing, and afterward push on to Russia. If this thing would just last for two years I could do a real job.

The New Republic asked me to review your book but I have not seen it as yet.

Best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Abram L. Harris

ALH/M

MEMORANDUM TO: MR. ABRAM HARRIS
FROM: DR. DU BOIS

May 3, 1935

I have just finished a careful reading of your "Economic Evolution: Dialectical and Darwinian". I tried several times before to skim it as light reading but I found out that that wouldn't do, so yesterday I put my work aside and really read it.

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It is a very interesting and carefully thought-out statement based on real scholarship and has helped my own thinking.

It emphasizes in my mind 2 things: first, the necessity of a volume by you on economic theory or a comparison of Marx and Veblen, or something of the sort. You ought to get out a volume very soon.

In that volume, however, there will be a difficulty of style, the same difficulty that one encounters in Veblen and in Marx. To some extent, this is a question of commas. For instance, on page 53, in the 4th line, if there were a comma after "because of this", the meaning would be much clearer and again on page 57 in your quotation from Veblen, it would save the reader something like a half-hour of groping if there were a comma in the same line between "ground" and "or ated". In many other cases, the reasoning is so condensed and sheer that the ordinary reader will have to have some help of punctuation and repetition to make it possible for him to grasp it. There is no doubt of the careful and subtle thought which you have put in to these monographs but it's going to be very difficult to make people read them.

This is just a memorandum and requires no answer.

WEBD/DW

ABRAM L. HARRIS
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Apartment 4 G
312 Manhattan Ave.,
New York City
October 20, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I thank you for your letter of September 10, concerning the Negro Encyclopaedia. For the next year I hope to confine all my time to the study I am doing under the Guggenheim grant and am trying to avoid all other jobs, however incidental they may be. Thus I do not think I am going to be free to write anything for the Encyclopaedia, at least during the present year. If after that time there is some topic you think I can write on, I would be glad to consider it upon an invitation from you. At present I can think of no topics on which I should want to write.

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Sincerely yours,

Abram L. Harris

X Abram L. Harris

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 27, 1935

Mrs. Jessie Fauset Harris
1945 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Jessie:

May I send deepest condolence for your sad loss. I know how you feel.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[HARRISON MEMORIAL FOUNDATION]

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11 SOUTH LASALLE ST.
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EARL C. JEFFREY
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CENTRAL 8846

July 30, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois
69 - Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Dr. Dubois:

14-16-17

When Richard Berry Harrison died and his body was brought to Chicago, a great many proposals were made to the family for the erection of some sort of memorial to this distinguished man. Mr. Harrison's son called in a group of friends of both races and asked them their advice. As a result of a series of conferences a group known as the Harrison Memorial Foundation was established. The purpose of this Foundation was to secure the erection of a memorial to Mr. Harrison in Chicago rather than to have a series of scattered memorials which, because of their number, would prevent the erection of a memorial which would not only serve to perpetuate Mr. Harrison's name adequately and properly, but in a useful manner as well.

Invitations have been sent to the leading citizens of Chicago to serve on this committee and as a result we have twenty-seven acceptances of the very finest men of Chicago, including the president of the First National Bank and men of equal importance. We have reached the point where we now wish to extend this committee to a national scope and this letter is written to extend to you an invitation to become a member of the Harrison Memorial Committee. This Committee will advise the Foundation on the type memorial, its location, and other matters which would go to make a really successful accomplishment of its purposes.

This will not necessitate your meeting with the committee but you will be kept thoroughly informed of the movement and your advice will be sought before any definite steps are taken.

We will greatly appreciate your honoring the Committee with an acceptance and if you will address me I will see that the answer is brought before the Foundation.

With appreciation for your courtesy, I am

Very truly yours,

Earl C. Jeffrey

ECJ:EB
Kindly address reply to:
611 - 7 S. Dearborn St.
Chicago, Ill.
(Telephone Franklin 8575)

[HARRISON MEMORIAL FOUNDATION]

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

August 30, 1935

Mr. Earl C. Jeffrey
Co-Ordinators
11 South LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois

14-16-18

My dear Sir:

Your letter of July 30 found me on vacation and I have just had a chance to answer it. I shall of course be very glad to do anything in honor of Mr. Harrison, but I do not like to loan my name to any occasion unless I am sure who is responsible for it. I think you will satisfy me and a good many others if you got together a list of well-known and responsible persons and then in their name sent out invitations for further membership. At any rate, I should like to know the names of the persons who have accepted membership on your committee.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Class Agent for 1890 · Russell G. Fessenden · 17 Court Street · Boston · Mass.

March 15, 1935

Dear Du Bois:

As this is the tenth appeal I have sent out, my ideas are all pretty well used up. I am glad to say that last year, in spite of hard times, the number of contributions from our Class to the Fund increased from 68 to 74. This is out of a total of 209 living members. The amount contributed increased from $1,058 to $1,334.50. This is an increase of 26.1%, or a little more than the amount, by which the total Fund increased. We stood twenty-third among the classes in amount contributed and twenty-first in number of contributors. But unfortunately, the older we grow the easier it is to stand well up in the latter group. 1860 and 1861 contributed 100%.

I sincerely hope that this year, our Forty-fifth, we will keep up the good work, for it is needless for me to tell you how much this unrestricted money is needed in these times. There is more involved than money, for as President Conant says of the contributor, "more important still, perhaps, he goes on record as one more alumnus who believes in the importance of higher education in America."

I know that we all get endless appeals, but please don't throw this in the wastepaper basket. Send something, even if a very small amount, which will at least show your interest. Checks may be made payable to the Treasurer of Harvard University and mailed to the Harvard Fund Council, Wadsworth House, Cambridge, Mass.

Sincerely yours,

R. G. Fessenden

Class Agent.

COMMITTEE ON THE FUND

Robert F. Herrick
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Russell G. Fessenden

I hope you can help us.

Harvard

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-16-25

May 3, 1935

Mr. Howard Corning
15 Hathorne Street
Salem, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Corning:

I am expecting to attend the 45th Reunion of the Harvard Class of 1890 and be present June 18, 19 and 20.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBL/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-16-26

June 3, 1935

Mr. Howard Corning
15 Hawthorne Street
Salem, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Corning:

I am leaving Atlanta today for the summer. My address will be: 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, New York. Please send notices of the class reunion there.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW.

CLASS OF '90

Greatest Clambake of All

WAREHAM, JUNE 18, 1935

All the regular show; some planned side shows and some unexpected side shows!

All roads from Boston lead directly to the bake.

Yellow '90 signs from Wareham village lead you right to the beach.

Photographs are of the clambake on our 25th anniversary, and show the least that can be expected!

To the Members of the Class of 1890:

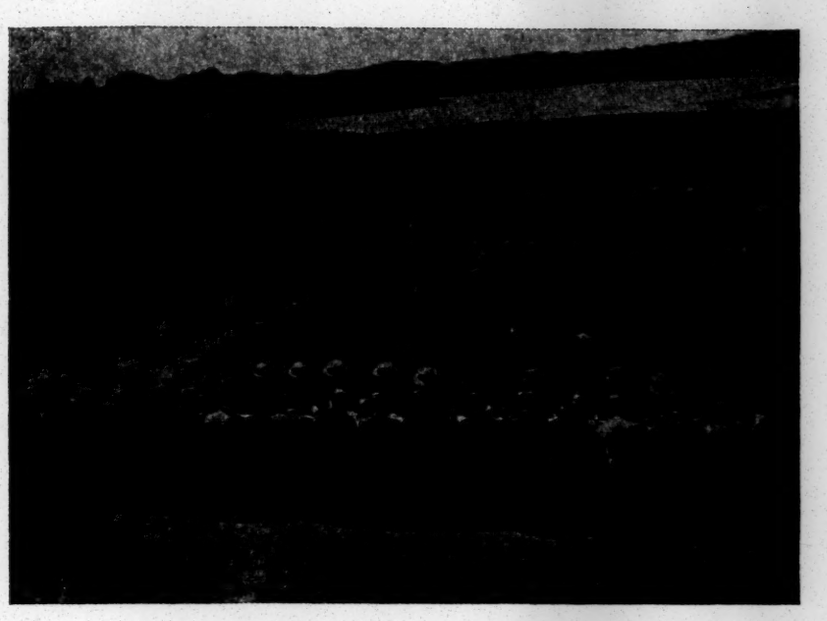
At several anniversaries of the class I have had the great pleasure of having the class at Wareham for a regular old-fashioned clambake, together with the swimming and water sports that go with it. To members of the class who have already attended the clambakes of prior years, there is not much in this letter except an effort to bring back the recollections of those years; but to those who have not been with us at previous celebrations I am anxious to give a message that will surely bring them to this year's clambake. I shall be very much disappointed if we do not get practically every one who is able to make the trip to Boston.

We will spend the whole day at Wareham, members leaving Boston and vicinity in time to get to Wareham about eleven-thirty A.M., and enjoy a swim before the bake which will be at one o'clock. Automobile transportation, either in the cars of other members of the class or in an automobile bus directly from the hotels, will be provided, and every one will be back in Boston before seven o'clock at night. Bathing suits will be provided, and all you need to bring is an appetite—possibly a little thirst!

My pleasure in being able to have you all there will be greatly increased by the added number of men I can get who have not been at the other clambakes. The entire class anniversary committee and every one associated with our celebration join me in making this appeal. If we can get our whole reunion well started at the clambake, the dinner the following evening will find us all with acquaintances and friendships renewed and with an appreciation of what the reunion means to all of us.

This invitation is a personal invitation to you, and I shall be very much disappointed if you are not able to accept it.

Sincerely yours,



HOW TO SERVE A CLAMBAKE

THE FLOAT

P.S. No separate reply to this invitation is expected. Tell Corning, class secretary, that you are coming to everything.

October 8, 1935

14-16-27

The Harvard Athletic Association
6 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Will you please change my address from: 69 Fifth Avenue, New York to: Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

24 UNIVERSITY HALL, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

November 8, 1935

Wrote to Campbell

Do not list as Catholic

14-23

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have your letter of November 6 and am afraid you have been misinformed, if you believe that Hosea Booker Campbell has received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Harvard University. According to our records he has not yet fulfilled the requirements for the degree. He is at present registered as a student in this School, and is, I believe, studying for his general examinations. Our local address for him is: 415 Broadway, Cambridge.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence S. Mayo

Assistant Dean

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois

K

HARVARD COLLEGE
CLASS OF 1890

ROBERT E. FAULKNER
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Class Committee

HOWARD CORNING
Class Secretary
15 Hathorne Street
Salem, Mass.

Forty-Fifth Reunion

MY DEAR CLASSMATE:

This year as everyone of you knows is the Forty-fifth Anniversary of our Graduation and naturally we want to celebrate it in fitting manner. We are again indebted to Bob Herrick for an invitation to his place at Wareham for a clambake. This invitation I am enclosing with this notice.

The clambake will take place on Tuesday, June 18. On Wednesday, the 19th, which is also Class Day, it is proposed to have a luncheon for members and their wives and children. This luncheon will probably be held in Lowell House; if not there, in one of the other new houses. After the luncheon are the Class Day Exercises and the ball game. That night occurs the Class Dinner at the Harvard Club.

The next day, Thursday, is Commencement and the customary light lunch will be served at 19 Stoughton.

This is a preliminary statement. Details will be sent you in another circular, at which time you will be requested to indicate how many of your family will come with you and what activities, such as the clambake, etc., you wish to attend.

When you receive this communication, please reserve Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 18, 19 and 20, 1935 and come to our Reunion, and make it the best yet.

HOWARD CORNING
Secretary

HARVARD COLLEGE
Class of 1890
45TH REUNION

Dear Classmate:

Below you will find a list of events for the 45th celebration on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, June 18th, 19th, and 20th. All times given are Daylight Saving Time. I also enclose a program of Class Day Week and a card on which you can indicate what events you wish to attend and how many of your family will accompany you. A prompt reply indicating whether or not you are coming, how many will be in your party and for what events you wish tickets will make your secretary's task much easier.

14-16

TUESDAY, JUNE 18. 10 A. M.

Registration at the Copley Plaza, Room 19, where you will get your tickets, badges, etc. At about 11 o'clock automobiles will transport you to Bob Herrick's at Wareham for the Clambake, returning some time in the afternoon. The Clambake is for members of the class only. No plans are made for entertainment that evening.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19. CLASS DAY.

Luncheon at Lowell House preceeding the Stadium exercises, 12.15 to 1.30 P. M. Please advise how many of your family will come to the luncheon and how many will wish tickets to the Stadium. Classmates do not need tickets if they march, but require them if they occupy seats.

Please send $1 for each Stadium ticket required, and $1.25 for each lunch ticket.

3.30 P. M. Ball Game. If you wish tickets to the ball game, please indicate on the enclosed questionnaire and send $1.50 for each ticket. These will be delivered at the Registration.

7.00 P. M. Class Dinner at Aesculapian Room, Harvard Club, Boston.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20. COMMENCEMENT. 12.00 NOON.

The usual Spread will take place at 19 Stoughton. A few tickets will be available for ladies for the exercises in the afternoon. You will receive a letter from the Alumni Association explaining a rebate on all round trip tickets from outside Boston.

From letters received we are going to have a good attendance and of course will have a good time—so be sure to come.

HOWARD, CORNING *Secretary.*
15 Hathorne St., Salem, Mass.

Encyclopedia

1532 David Hill Ave
Baltimore, Maryland
Dec 10, 1935

14-23-42

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr DuBois:

Thanks for the privilege of submitting an article for the Encyclopedia on the Negro. I shall be happy to do so upon the conditions & terms stated in your letter.

I could write upon the Negro Public High Schools, and if you desire could give an expose of Public Schools for Negroes in the South.

I shall await further instructions with pleasure.

Congratulations and best wishes for the successful outcome of your project.

Sincerely yours

Louis T. Hawkins

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11-25-03

GROUP I

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BACH P. E. ..... Jesus In Gethsemane

Behold! There in Gethsemane He grieves and mourns and trembles—the Most Holy—and wrestles with the Angel of Death. Bitter is the cup and yet He drinks. When terror of the grave brings cold sweat to your brow, His grief and His sorrow will sweeten your last anguish.

BEETHOVEN ..... Adelaide

II

DUPARC ..... Phidyle

HENSCHEL ..... The Angels Dear

KREIN (Nish Tvoi Lik) ..... Grief and Pain Is Your Lot, Israel

Grief and distress is your lot, O Israel. Heavy is your yoke, O Israel. As did Jacob of old, you wrestle still with God. Still do cities raise high their funeral pyres. In the Land of Promise dwell your enemies. By the roadside stands your tattered tent. Long must you wander over the earth before you reach home, O Israel.

ROBT. FRANZ ..... For Music

III

(PAUL LAWRENCE DUNBAR SUITE)

WILLIAM RHODES ..... a. The Garrett. b. When Malindy Sings.

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"THE GARRET" —The poverty which befell him while in London, and which would have wholly discouraged many another sensitive soul, provided only a frame upon which he hung beautiful garlands of song."

IV

NEGRO SPIRITUAL ARRANGEMENTS

R. N. DETT ..... I'm So Glad Trouble Don't Last Always

PERCIVAL PARHAM ..... You Come A Long Way

WILLIAM DAWSON ..... My Lord What A Mornin'

WILLIAM RHODES ..... Joshua Fit de Battle

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July 9th, 1935

14-25-65

Dr. George E. Haynes
Executive Secretary
Race Relations Department
Federal Council of Churches
105 East 22nd Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Haynes:

Thank you for your kind words concerning my book. I am sending your letter to the publishers and hope they will send you a copy. But as you know, the book was very costly and few review copies were sent out.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

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Department of Race Relations

October 23,1935.

Dr.W.E.B.DuBois
Encyclopaedia of the Negro
Atlanta University
Atlanta,Georgia

14-21-42

Dear Dr.DuBois:

The decision to take up again the work of preparation and publication of an Encyclopaedia of the Negro seems to me timely provided, of course, sums necessary for financing it are in hand.

I shall be pleased to contribute articles as might be mutually agreed. My special interest has been in the economic phases of Negro life. In this connection I have a large amount of material gathered about Negro life of Negro peoples in southern and central Africa. I have given particular attention to land problems in both Africa and America. During the past five years with one of my colleagues I have been making some studies in cotton-growing communities in selected southern states. Just now I am preparing some lectures on land tenure and social problems for the Des Moines Forum next spring.

In connection with the development of work for the Encyclopaedia, do you think it would be feasible to develop some plan for occasional meetings of those who are doing some serious research in this field for mutual criticism and stimulation quite apart from our movements for reform and advancement? It seems to me that one of the real losses in America has been the paucity of study of Negro life, culture and problems from a critical standpoint independent of efforts to propagandize for reform.

Yours cordially,

George E. Haynes

George E.Haynes
Executive Secretary

H-r

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

14-25-62

Mr. Will Herberg
c/o Dressmakers Union
218 West 40th Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Herberg:

I am passing your letter on to the publisher and I hope that they can give you a copy for review. But the book, as you know, is terribly costly and very few review copies were sent out.

I have mentioned you in the bibliography.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 31, 1935

Mr. Melville J. Herskovits
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
Evanston, Illinois

6-14-41

My dear Mr. Herskovits:

I wonder if I could trouble you for a confidential opinion concerning a colored anthropologist. His name is Louis King and he is now employed as Assistant Historian, United States Museum at Gettysburg. He was appointed by Secretary Ickes. I understand that he is a Ph.D. in Anthropology and has been a student of yours. I should like very much to get a line on him as a scientist and as a man. If you can give me any information, I shall hold it carefully as confidential.

Please address me at: 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, New York, where I shall be this summer.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
AND ANTHROPOLOGY

June 5, 1935

14-14-10

Dear Doctor DuBois:

I first got to know Louis King the spring I worked at Howard University where he acted as my assistant, having been recommended by Just who thought very highly of him. I found him a conscientious worker and when opportunity offered two years later, I worked him in as technical assistant while I was measuring in Harlem for my study of race crossing. That summer he went to West Virginia by himself and measured a family series and the next summer worked in the same community with Dr. Otto Klineberg. After I left Columbia, he continued working for a Ph.D., and I believe received his degree from that institution.

My feeling concerning him is that he is an honest, conscientious, thorough-going man of mediocre ability. I know he had great difficulty finally getting through his Ph.D. examinations, and as far as I know, his thesis has never been published. Even if it has, he has shown no drive toward further creative activity,--and I say this in view of the fact that he has not had an easy time. I contrast him with Dr. Mark Watkins who took his Ph.D. two or three years ago from the University of Chicago in anthropology, and who is, I believe, one of the finest young men, colored or white, in the subject. I do not know whether this inquiry comes because it is contemplated to give King a teaching position. Very frankly, and as you said, confidentially, I would not advise such a move. I do not think he sees any of the implications of the subject; in a word, he is a man who, if put onto a definite job by someone else, can be counted upon to work honestly and to the best of his ability. I think he would not stand up in a position requiring any degree of initiative.

Very sincerely yours,

Melville J. Herskovits

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
226 W. 150th Street
Apartment 5 Jay,
New York City

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

14-14-11

Dr. Melville J. Herskovitz
Northwestern University
Evansville, Illinois

My dear Dr. Herskovitz:

I thank you very much for copies of your various recent publications which you have sent me. May I ask if any other chapters of your "Social History of the Negro" have been published? If so, I should be glad to have you send them to me with bill, or perhaps, this is Chapter Seven of the "Handbook of Social Psychology."

At any rate, I should like to know.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. DuBois

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
AND ANTHROPOLOGY

July 23, 1935

14-14-12

Dear Doctor Du Bois:

"The Social History of the Negro" is a chapter from the "Handbook of Social Psychology". I suppose it can be regarded as a kind of outline for a book of considerable proportions I am going to write one of these days, but that time is far ahead. At present, I am reading proof on a detailed study of folklore and music of Dutch Guiana which will be brought out by the Columbia University Press this winter, and which may have some material in it of interest to you. I am looking forward to reading your most recent book which our library has just obtained, and which is on my table. The reviews of it have been quite exciting.

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Melville J. Herskovits

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
5J - 226 West 150th Street
New York City

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NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
AND ANTHROPOLOGY

October 11, 1935.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I know something of the project for the Encyclopaedia of the Negro since, I believe, I am one of the representatives of the National Research Committee on your advisory board. As such I shall, of course, be glad to cooperate with you.

I think the attention of the Encyclopaedia as far as Africa is concerned should be centered on West Africa particularly, and I should be glad to do such articles as fall within my competence concerning the cultures of that region. I should also be glad to do a discussion on race and race crossing as it affects the Negro. These are, of course, very general suggestions; I wonder if your editorial board does not propose to draw up a schedule of subjects to be treated. In that event such a schedule could be circulated to a selected list of persons working in the field of the Negro, and suggestions requested concerning the best people to draw up these topics, as you know, this was the procedure of the Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences.

14-26-85

Another point I should like to raise is the importance of having fairly full articles on the Negro peoples of the West Indies and South America. I have been impressed recently in this connection with the considerable amount of work that is being done by Brazilians; in a like manner I think a discussion of the Negro cultures of the Spanish, French, and English Islands should be provided. Incidentally in this connection I would be glad to do an article on the Bush Negroes.

Sincerely yours,

Melville J. Herskovits

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE
HIGH POINT, N. C.

Office of
The President

September 10, 1935

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
c/o Harcourt, Brace and Company
383 Madison Ave.,
New York City

14-25-64

My dear Mr. Du Bois:

High Point College, which will be eleven years old this fall, has a student body of nearly three-hundred and only a few over fifty-five hundred books. However, we are soon to have a library building--a memorial gift for which ground will be broken this fall. Naturally, we desire to have a book collection worthy of our new quarters, but our book budget is so pitifully limited that we are making an appeal to a few authors whose new books would be especially valuable to our students.

Could we prevail upon you to send us a complimentary copy of your valuable book "Black Reconstruction"?

Such cooperation would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Alice Paige White

Mrs. H. A. White
Librarian

W:WR

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 10, 1935

Mrs. H. A. White
Librarian
High Point College
High Point, North Carolina

14-25-73

My dear Madam:

If I should give away all the copies of my book that I am asked for, I should be bankrupted. You must remember that an author whose book is taken by a standard publisher is furnished only ten copies gratis. The rest he has to pay for just as other people.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

June 1, 1935

Mr. Y. Hikida
BEDFORD HILLS
New York, New York

14-14-13

My dear Mr. Hikida:

It is practically settled that I shall go to Europe next spring about April 1 to spend five or six months in Germany studying relation of education to industry. On my return, I want to come by way of China and Japan and shall do so unless the expense interferes. In order to meet a part of this expense, I should like a chance to give a few lectures on social, economic and racial conditions in the United States. I am enclosing six of my lecture circulars.

I should be very glad indeed if you would give me any advice as to persons or institutions to whom I might apply for such opportunity. I shall appreciate any advice you give. Please address me at: 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, N.Y., where I shall be for the summer.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures 6

[HIKIDA]

Yukiko

Bedford Hills, New York.
June 19, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Please excuse me for the dalay in replying to your letter. I am considering at this moment the ways of advice and assistance that I may be able to make on the subject you mentioned in your letter. My thought is running mainly in the following lines:

12-25-91

1. To give you some of the names of persons who are, or likely are, interested in this question, and w who have influence over the institutions or organizations that are interested in the subject. (This will include editors, writers -- some of them have written articles or books on the American Negro --, and also the university research circle that is making an intensive study of Negro question.)
2. Approach to an influential body -- perhaps to one of the largest newspaper -- and find out a possibility of depending on it for the entire plan of your trip.
3. Find out such a possibility by a <u>personal contact</u> <u>IN JAPAN</u> through my personal friend. (For instance, a very intimate friend of mine, a graduate of American university, who has had many pleasant contacts with Negro students while he was studying, is going back to Japan this fall.)

4. In the connection of yowr trip, it might be a good idea to publish one of your work -- "Dark Water" or "Souls of Black Folks" -- in Japanese.
(Note: Helen Keller is going to Japan shortly, and a friend of mine who lives in New York wrote a book on her about four months ago, while, I just heard from another friend in Japan that he and his colleagues are at this moment translating Helen Keller's works into Japanese.)

At any rate, I will not make any move before informing you of what I will have considered, and not until I will have had your full approval.

14-25-92

I consider it most significant that the author of THE NEGRO who wrote the book's first line in that manner should take a trip to the Orient at this one-thifds mark of the century when remarkable changes are taking place in that region. The seeds of tremendous interest and importance -- a London Race Congfess in the entirely different section and atmosphere; re-birth of an African Magazine and Oriental Review; constructive beginning of mutual propaganda among the darker races, particularly that of between Japanese and American Negro; the Negro's role in 1940 Olympic game in Tokio, to mention only few -- are scattering over there awaiting the proper care and mnture by pioneers. And I am earnestly hoping that your thought of going to the Orient will be materialized.

Sometime between July 5th and 15th I will either ring or write for an appointment with you to talk over the things of which you

wrote to me.

I wish to congraturate you sincerely for the publication of "BLACK RECONSTRUCTION". When I see you next I shall bring one copy with me and I hope you will do me a favor by putting your signature on it.

Very sincerely,

14-25-93

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

14-14.14

Dr. Y. Hikida
Bedford Hills
New York

My dear Dr. Hikida:

I have your letter of June 19th and shall thank you very much for anything that you can do to open my way in Japan.

I shall be here until July 18th, then I am going to Maine for a month in the woods, but shall be back again August 18th. I shall be glad to hear from you at any time.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 10, 1935

14-14-15

Mr. Y. Hikida
Bedford Hills, New York

My dear Mr. Hikida:

I have been hoping to hear from you before this. I shall be in the city until September 19. I will be glad to have a word from you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[HIKIDA?]

Memo: September 12, 1935.

I have been looking for an answer from home for past many days. I certainly expect it within few days.

On the following day when I saw you in July, I went to see Mr. Dodo of Osaka Mainichi, who gave me an introduction to his personal friend in Japan (One of the staff of HOCHI SHINBUN).

I wrote an lengthly letter - to attach the introduction. In a separate cover I sent a copy of Black Reconstruction. I mailed also your leaflets, reviews of the book by N. Y. Times and Herald Tribune. These mails should have been reached in Japan by the middle of August - perhaps little later on account of registared mails.

14-25-94

The things stand there.

If the answer comes before the 19th of this month, I will, by all means, get in touch with you before you leave for the South. If it comes later than the 19th, I will immediately write to you in Atlanta,

If the answer looked favorable and should you consider that any further attempt to pull another string was unneccessary, we will have a conference. In the fall I shall be able to take a trip, or a special trip, to South.

You will receive, in a separate cover, a copy of Japanese translation of FIRE IN THE FLINT - about which I think I have told you before. I sent a copy of this translation to Prof. Logan the other day.

Of your trip to Japan I have of course kept strict confidence from to by myself and Mr. Dodo.

I may be able to come down to city this week-end, and if so I will see you anyway - relardless I had an answer or not.

225 West 150 Street
Apartment 6 Jay
New York, New York

September 16, 1935

14-14-16

Mr. Y. Hikida
Bedford Hills, New York

My dear Mr. Hikida:

I am so sorry I didn't see you when you called. I think there is plenty of time for us to get matters in shape. You see, after all, I shall not start on my trip until April or May, 1936, and if I go to Japan, shall not arrive there before October or November, 1936, which gives us more than a year for planning.

I am leaving for Atlanta Thursday, September 19. Kindly write me or call if you get down that way. I appreciate very much the gift of the book.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[HIKIDA?]

Memo: October 9, 1935.

Recently I have received three brief notes from home. Before translating these letters into English for you, I will make frief notes in connection with this matter.

A-- You.

B.--Myself.

C.--Mr. Dodo, Masao, (my personal friend. a member of Osaka mainichi's N. Y. Office)

D.-- Mr. Kiyosawa, Retsu (Well known Japanese writer on American jubjects. staff of Hochi-Shimbun which is owned by Mr. Noma, the king of Japanese publishing business, who publishes no less than forty different kinds of weekly and monthly periodicals, beside the newspaper of large circulation)

81-41-41

The first nws was given by B from B. to D. with an introduction of B. by C. to D.

Now, the first answer came from D, to B.
"Saw your letter. Will call an attention of Bureau of Cultural Enterprise of the Foreign Office. We may not be able to obtain an immediate answer, but anyway, I will write you in next mail about it more in detail" Tokio, Sept. 9, 1935.

The second letter was from D. to C.
"Mr. Isamu Inoue, a friend of mine and of yours, is working in the Foreign Office, So I consulted him. The enclosed here is the answer from him. We doubt, however, the possibility of securing enough money by lecture alone...." Tokio, Sept 14, 1935.

E.--A member of Bureau of Cultural Enterprise of the Foreign Office.

The third letter was, as was memtioned above, from E. to D.
"Your letter and the literatures relating to Dr. DuBois was received. We will concult to Mr. Yanagisawa (F) and will give you answer shortly.
I consider there are only two ways open to invite him to Japan. The first is to advise Dr. DuBois to come to Japan anyway, first. Then whatever the things to be done here will be planned on his arrival. (This may seems to be an unseasy task, yet it is in my opinion, a most simple and best possibility of realizarion. To turn the expence of his return fare from Germany to U.S.A. to that of from Germany to Japan, will be all necessary.
The second plan is to invite him as a visiting professor. With this bureau and its relations in my mind, it may not be a thing of impossibility, but I think there will be some difficulity in it. If this way could be opened it is best because he does not need financial worry. We will see what possibility would be there in this connection.
If we have to follow the first plan, it is necessary for him (Dr. DuBois) to have a bold belief (literal translation ~~impudent-~~ is: impudent-thinking) that he could do it by either hook or crook. In my personal opinion, there is a great deal of possibility in the first plan. In the next mail you will hear from me more,"

F.--Yanagisawa. is the chief of that Burear. Also a close friend of C.

October 14, 1935

Mr. Y. Hikida
Bedford Hills, New York

My dear Mr. Hikida:

Thank you very much for your memorandum. I shall be glad to know when you hear anything further.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

YASUICHI HIKIDA
~~BEDFORD HILLS~~
~~NEW YORK~~

Yale University Station
Box 1815
New Haven, Conn.

November 6, 1935.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I received a letter from home, it came more than two weeks ago. But on account of my absence and change address etc. I saw the letter only yesterday. It is more or less in detail but as a whole the situation is just about what was before.

14-41-41

The letter was from Mr. Kiyozawa to Mr. Dodo.
The contents was briefly as follows:

"I saw Mr. Yanagisawa today.
The Idea is very good. And there was someone who knows Dr. DuBois. They are interested very much. However, the question is: a. Who will invite him; and b. Who will pay for it?
Quite a while ago there was an application from Zona Gale for a part of the expence of her trip to Japan, and some amount of money is put aside for that purpose. Since then, however, she has changed her mind, and still unknown as her definite plan. A letter was sent to her for the definite answer. If she does not come, it may possible to turn over that amount for similar purpose.
In case Dr. DuBois comes, it will be impossible to invite him by the GAIMUSHO. 'Wish we had some sort of PEN CLUB here' was the comment of Mr. Yanagisawa.
If he comes with his own intiative, it will be possible, of course, to ask him lectures.
Supposse I answer this way at present:

1. If you waite for the definite answer from us, it will take for some time.
2. The amount of money available is unknown: to make the definite assurence, will take time.
3. If he comes by himself, of course we will do our best to welcome him here.
4. After he get here, it will perhaps possible to assist him.

Sorry that we couldn't do any better, but if you wish our answer immediately this is all we can say now.

The book (Black Reconstruction) and other materials are being studyd by Mr. Yanagisaza. Thought you are in hurry and I am answering as we can now."

I will not take any trip to South this winter, but will remain here in New Haven until about April. I am writing again to Mr. Kiyosawa today, thanking him for his trauble and asking further effort to keeping in touch with Mr. Yangisawa.

Very sincerely,

Y. Hikida

November 11, 1935

Mr. Yasuichi Hikida
Yale University Station
Box 1815
New Haven, Connecticut

14-14-19

My dear Mr. Hikida:

Thank you for your letter of November 6. I think you have done all you could and we must now leave matters on the knees of the gods.

If any of your friends see a way to guarantee any reasonable part of my expense to Japan, I should be glad to come. I would not, however, venture without some guarantee as I am sure I could not afford it and I would not like to take unwise chances.

I thank you very much for your efforts and hope that you will have a pleasant stay in New Haven. There is one prominent colored lawyer there whom you ought to meet, Mr. George W. Crawford, 42 Church Street. Call on him sometime and show him the latter part of this letter. You will find him interesting and full of information.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
CHEYNEY TRAINING SCHOOL FOR TEACHERS
STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE
CHEYNEY, PENNSYLVANIA

17 October 1935

C

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-21-36

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I should like to be of some use to you in your projected encyclopedia if I knew how that could be possible. I am interested in the whole field of education and might possibly render a bit of service in some corner of that field. If you have a suggestion, I should be very glad to know what it is. Meanwhile, it seems to me that there is plenty of room for the encyclopedia.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie Pinckney Hill

Leslie Pinckney Hill
President

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

8 October 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-21-6

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Replying to your letter of September 10, 1935 I wish to say that naturally I am very much interested in the plans for publishing an encyclopedia of the Negro. I have read with great interest your printed enclosure on the "Scope of Proposed Encyclopedia". It is gratifying to know that the project is being revived and that you are to take an important part in directing the compilation.

I will be very glad to make any contribution which may be needed. Naturally I am most interested in Education, more specifically in Higher Education of the Negro.

Thanking you for bringing this matter to my attention and with sincerest good wishes, I am

Yours truly,

D. O. W. Holmes.

DOWH:vrc

14-24-20

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 17, 1935

Mr. T. J. Wilson
HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY
1 Park Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Wilson:

I shall be in New York City the week of January 20 and could call at your office Wednesday or Thursday, the 23 or 24, to talk about the book concerning which we have been corresponding. I shall telephone you Wednesday.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 4, 1935

Mr. Richard H. Thornton
President, HENRY HOLT & COMPANY
1 Park Avenue Building
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Thornton:

In accordance with our conversation, I am enclosing a plan for a book which I trust may meet the approval of your company. I shall be glad to hear from you at your convenience.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

[H. Holt + Co. ?] [1935?]
Mr. Thornton. Harcourt, Brace + Co.

37-10-161

A VOLUME ON THE HISTORY OF THE NEGRO RACE

I. I propose writing a volume on the history of the Negro race which shall be a book of between 200-300 pages, about 7½"x5" in size, and printed in good, readable type.

2. The title of the book would be "A History of the Negro Race", or "The Story of Black Folk", or "A History of Africa".

3. The object of the book would be to present to the general reader and to college students readable outline of our present knowledge of Negro and Negroid people, particularly in Africa, with some notice of their descendants in other parts of the world.

4. The chapter headings would follow largely those in my book "The Negro", in the Home University Library. These chapters would be something as follows:

1. Who are Negroes?
2. Where do Negroes live?
3. The Valley of the Nile.
4. The Valley of the Niger.
5. The Valley of the Congo.
6. The Great Lakes.
7. South Africa.
8. African Culture.
9. The African Slave Trade.
10. The West Indies.
11. The United States.
12. The Present Negro Problems

5. The contents of the book, however, would be entirely re-written with the aim to put it in more easily readable and literary form. It should be illustrated by maps and portraits. The maps should include the ancient kingdoms of Africa, the distribution of races in Africa, the routes of the slave trade. The portraits should include distinguished Negroes of various eras, from certain Negroid Pharoahs, and Kings of Ethiopia, down to modern men, perhaps six or eight portraits in all. I suggest a list like the following:

1. Amenhotep III.
2. Nefertari
3. The Grimaldi Man.
4. The Ethiopian King.
5. The Great Spinx.
6. Menelik II. of Abyssinia.
7. Phyllis Wheatley
8. Robert Elliott
9. Paul Laurence Dunbar

Each chapter would have a careful bibliography, and guide to reading, especially on controversial matters.

6. I think the manuscript for this book could be ready in the spring of 1936. I have already done considerable work since I published the volume on "The Negro", but would need now to consult various libraries and buy a number of volumes that had been published recently, especially in England, France and Germany. This would entail expenditure for books and clerical work, and I would be glad if advanced royalties to the amount of $500 could be paid me.

37-10-162

14-24-25

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 13, 1935

Mr. Richard H. Thornton
President, HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY
1 Park Avenue Building
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Thornton:

On February 4, I wrote you in accordance with our conversation concerning a prospective book on the Negro. As I have not heard from you, I am a little afraid the letter may have gone astray. Probably, however, you have not yet come to a decision. If the latter is the case, ignore this letter. I simply wanted to be sure that you received my communication.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY
INCORPORATED

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE 1 PARK AVE. [redacted] NEW YORK

Publishers

March 18, 1935

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. DuBois:

I am sorry I have been delayed in replying to your letter of February fourth because of absence from the office. I went over your outline with considerable interest. It seems to me that you are following very closely the plan of your volume on The Negro in our Home University Library. Perhaps this is the best approach. I assume, of course, you would deal with the individual phases of the question at greater length, and bring the material up to date.

I fear we could not consider an advance of $500 on this book, in view of the present uncertainty in the book trade. If the book might find a place in educational circles it should do well. The general public seems to be buying few books of this character at present. If conditions improve by fall, we shall be glad to reconsider the matter. You probably do not plan to complete the book before 1936, anyway.

Sincerely yours,

Richard N. Thornton

RHT:RM

47-10-76

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 21, 1935

Mr. Richard H. Thornton
HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY
1 Park Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

Your letter of March 18 has been received. Dr. Du Bois is at present attending an "Economic Conference of the Negro in Texas" at Prairie View. I am forwarding your letter to him.

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

Henry Holt Co

March 27, 1935

Mr. Richard Thornton
c/o Henry Holt Company
#1 Park Avenue
New York City, New York

My Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 18 has been forwarded to me here where I am doing some special work. I am not sure that I understand your letter entirely, but I assume that, first, you wish me to write the book ~~subsequently~~ in accordance with the plan laid down; second, that you will, in the Fall, consider the matter of advance payment of royalties; and third, that the book will be ready for publication in the Fall of 1936.

If this is the correct understanding, I shall write you again in the Fall with regards to advance payment of royalties.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. DuBois

WEBD/w

HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY
INCORPORATED

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE 1 PARK AVE. NEW YORK

Publishers

April 3, 1935

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois
Prairie View State Normal and
Industrial College
Prairie View, Texas

Dear Mr. DuBois:

I am sorry I did not make our position clear in my letter of March 18. While we approve your plan in general, I feel that it might be better to defer the matter for the time being, and take it up again after we have had more opportunity to consider the sales possibilities of such a book. We should get a little clearer conception than we now have as to what type of book is most needed. In the summer I can make inquiries of our salesmen who are more familiar with the individual situations in the colleges.

Sincerely yours,

Richard H. Thornton

HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY

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Henry Holt & Co.

14-24-27

Room 204
200 West 135 Street
New York, N.Y.

August 30, 1935

Mr. Richard Thornton
C/O Henry Holt and Company
1 Park Avenue Building
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Thornton:

I shall be in New York until September 19. I am wondering if you have come to any decision concerning the projected book on "The Negro" and if you would wish me to call.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY
INCORPORATED

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE 1 PARK AVE. NEW YORK

Publishers

September 4, 1935

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
226 West 150th Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York City

Dear Mr. Du Bois:

It does not seem likely that we shall wish to undertake very soon your projected book on The Negro. While we like your plan for such a book, we do not feel that under present conditions we could market the book acceptably. Perhaps by another year the chances of selling such a work may be brighter. Serious books of this nature do not seem to attract a wide public at present.

Sincerely yours,

Richard R. Thornton

RHT:L HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY

47-10-79

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON SQUARE COLLEGE
WASHINGTON SQUARE EAST, NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

W

November 8, 1935.

Mr. W. E. DuBois
Encyclopaedia of the Negro
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-26-23

Dear Mr. Du Bois:

In reply to your letter of September 10th, I should say 'yes' to both questions. Wishing success to your venture, I am

Sincerely yours,

Sidney Hook

Sidney Hook

SH:AK

Black Reconstruction

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

July 12, 1935

Dear Doctor DuBois:

I have read with interest several reviews of your last book, "Black Reconstruction", and have had some letters in which favorable mention of your book was made. I wish to congratulate you upon the fine results of this vast undertaking. Although I have not yet had in my hand a copy of the book, I feel safe in adding my word of acclaim to the many fine things that have been said about it.

14-14-3

May I thank you for your expression of congratulation to me on the occasion of my receiving the degree from Brown University.

I expect to leave Atlanta early next week en route to my vacation, and shall probably stop off in New York for a few days. While I am there I hope to see you.

With kind regards to you all, I am

Sincerely yours

John Hope

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
226 West 150th Street
New York
New York

JH:C

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

14-25-90

President John Hope
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear President Hope:

Thank you very much for the kind words concerning my book.

I shall be in town until July 23rd and shall hope to see you as you come through. On the 23rd I am going to Maine for a month in camp and then shall return to New York about the 20th of August.

With best regards,

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

October 8, 1935

Mrs. John Hope
691 Beckwith Street
Atlanta, Georgia

S-02-41

My dear Mrs. Hope:

Mrs. Louie Shivery has finished all her required work now for her Master's degree next June, except the routine examination and the thesis. Her whole time this year will be devoted to writing the thesis, some of which she has already done, but all of which will be re-written according to the rules and advise of the Department.

It will be of great advantage to her and to the Department if all the files relating to the Neighborhood Union and other social uplift activities among colored people of Atlanta could be transferred to this office. I believe this is in accordance with the vote of the Union.

If this is satisfactory to you and you will let me know, I will send for them.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

October 25, 1935

Mrs. John Hope
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-20-6

My dear Mrs. Hope:

I shall be glad to come to the Hallowe'en party provided you won't expect too much in the line of costume.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

October 31, 1935

14-20-7

My dear Mrs. Hope:

I am afraid I'm getting too old for Hallowe'en parties. Mrs. Shivery gave me your message, but I really cannot find anything that's suitable to wear, unless I go down and skirmish in the city, and I don't like shopping in Atlanta. Please excuse me.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

Mrs. John Hope
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Fort Valley, Georgia
Box 372
February 4, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

You really brought this on yourself. Or maybe my senses are still reeling from the memory of that distillate formula of the wise old Benedictine monks. At any rate you were momentarily thoughtless enough to ask me whether or not I was writing anything these days. It so happens that I have completed a collection of what have been so liberally called my poems. They have been printed and now appear in various anthologies, collections, a text book or two and translations in German and Russian. Several times a year there come requests of one sort or another for permission to reprint some verse or other. The Interracial Commission includes a brief selection in its recently edited "Singers in the Dawn" pamphlet. Several of my more enthusiastic friends have often asked why I have not had a collection of my own published. My answer has usually been that I have been simply unable to decide which of the myriad and hungry publishers storming at my door I should so signally honor.

I-4-30-14

I would like you to steal a moment here and there from your busy routine to glance at these things and say a word or two about them. I can stand most anything. In fact, my audacity in asking this favor can only be explained by my understanding that of all the people in the world I know, I can depend upon you in a matter of this kind to speak your mind ruthlessly. I had thought that if such a slim collection were offered to a publisher, I should want it in such a modest format that the price would be so low that even Southern teachers and students might be induced to procure a copy or two. I have wondered, too, if you have thought of yourself publishing something in the way of a magazine or something that would preserve your incisive viewpoints for the Southern student of today. It has seemed to me a great loss to a group of students just emerging into some consciousness of their problems in the midst of such tumultuous social and economic movements that they are deprived of the realistic thinking of one who could guide, clarify and crystallize their thinking through the written word.

Anyhow, read 'em and weep. The Opportunity magazine has asked me for an article on Industrial schools in the South. I am planning to tell them at least some of the unvarnished truth; if you need a good janitor, keep the job open a while for me. Couldn't you come down during Negro History Week and tell us something of Africa? For the monks of the good Saint Benedict we will substitute an army of the collectors of dew-from-the-early-Spring-morning-blush-of-peaches. The masterpieces come under separate cover.

Frank Horne

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 7, 1935

Mr. Frank Home
Fort Valley High and
Industrial School
Fort Valley, Georgia

My dear Mr. Homes

I have got to speak here twice on Sunday, February 10, which is the opening of Negro History Week, but I will come down to Fort Valley Monday afternoon and say something about the "New View of Reconstruction" to a group of your students. You can judge whether it will be too heavy a subject for the whole school, or whether it had better be confined to a few. I shall return here early Wednesday morning.

14-20-1

I am going to invite Miss Prophet to come with me, but I am not sure whether she can get away. I will bring the poems with me. Of course, the great difficulty about publishing poetry is the reluctance of publishers. Probably, you would have to sweeten the good will of any publisher to get him to bring out your book, but we will talk about that when I see you.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Telegram

~~Mimeographed~~ Dan Story

Charge to Atlanta University

February 11, 1935

14-20-2

Mr. Frank Horne
Fort Valley High and Industrial School
Fort Valley, Georgia

Had to speak twice yesterday and am in hospital with bad cold Stop Will not be able to come Stop Very sorry

W. E. B. Du Bois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 14, 1935

Mr. Frank Horne
Fort Valley High and
Industrial School
Fort Valley, Georgia

14-20-3

My dear Mr. Horne:

I am convinced that it is quite impossible for me to make any set plans for visiting Fort Valley. The next time, without letting the heavens know, I am going to seize a pleasant day when I am in reasonable good health and just ride down.

Monday and Tuesday gave us here such awful weather and mycold was so bad, that I was afraid to come, particularly as I must go North on a lecture tour next week. I had, therefore, to cancel it.

In the meantime, I am returning your poems. Some of them I know, and others I have read with interest. I wish you could get them published, but, of course, you know the difficulty of publishing poetry. American readers simply will not buy them. The publisher, therefore, is practically compelled to pay a part or all of the expense of publication. He must, however, in that case, be just as careful of his publisher as though the publisher were taking all the risk. The publisher must be more than a mere printer.

I think if I were you I would send the manuscript to Macmillan, Harpers, and perhaps a third publisher, (in succession, of course) and simply see what they would say, making no suggestion or payment on either side. They might express willingness to print them at their own expense or with some partial payment. At any rate, try it. It would be worthwhile.

I am certainly sorry that I couldn't get down and help you with Negro History Week. My best regards to Mrs. Horne and Mrs. Hunt. Please make all apologies for me.

Very sincerely yours

W. E.B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures

Frank Horne

MEMORANDUM ON "SONGS FOR A LYNCHING BEE".

I have just gone through these poems again. They merit publication. It will be a great loss if they are not published. They are good, and here and there is a line, a thought, that reaches greatness.

I am not sure about the title and the arrangement. I think I can see what you have in mind. All of these might be sung to lynchers but lynchers can't read and readers recoil from lynching bees. If you can catch them and hold them and make them read, all right. Possibly, however, you have to hit them with a smaller bludgeon at first.

A few titles are missing, 3 or 4. You probably know this, and have decided either to omit them or insert them later.

But it's a good collection. I like them. I hope you will get them into print.

14-30-15

February 14, 1935

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 4, 1935

14-28-20

Mr. Frank Horne
Fort Valley High
and Industrial School
Fort Valley, Georgia

My dear Mr. Horne:

I am going to speak at the State Teachers' Association F iday night, April 12. I am planning to bring Miss Prophet with me, and then to go over to Fort Valley for the week end. I hope I shall see you and the gang. I am writing Mrs. Hunt.

Best regards to the family.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

The Fort Valley Normal and Industrial School
INCORPORATED
Fort Valley, Georgia
H. A. HUNT, PRINCIPAL

OFFICE OF THE ACTING PRINCIPAL
FRANK S. HORNE, B. S., M. A.

April 10,1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

1-02-11

My absence from the campus for a little more than a week which included a visit to Washington and two days in New York, has delayed this answer to your letter.

Since Mrs. Hunt and I are both spending practically all of this week in Macon attending the sessions of the P.T.A. and the Georgia State Teachers Association and since it will be no school session here Friday because all the teachers will be in Macon, I am sure that it would be best if you come directly to Macon and then leave with us for Fort Valley on Friday night.

While in New York I did get a chance to see Elizabeth Bergner and "The Children's Hour"--both of them are great.

We shall look forward to having you and Miss Prophet at Fort Valley over the week-end.

Sincerely,

Frank S. Horne

Frank S. Horne

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[Howard University]

Howard University
March 5, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois,

We are planning for the first and second week-ends of April a rather intensive series of conferences on minority group problems, as you will see from the enclosed tentative outline program. Unfortunately we have no honorarium for participants, and are only in a position to offer entertainment and travelling expenses.

However, we are presuming to ask your participation in the discussion of one of the most important topics "Minority Tactics as illustrated by Negro Experience". Dr. Weinstein who is to discuss this same topic from the Jewish point of view has made a special study of the matter; it was his doctorate thesis at the Jewish Theological Seminary several years ago. May we have early word as to whether we may count on your participation? We very much hope you can come. Or if you cannot, could you consider sending a paper to be read? There is quite a probability that the major papers of the conference will be published in symposium form, but the matter is not to be definitely taken up with the publishers until afterward.

49-16-10

With usual regard and appreciation,

Sincerely yours,

Alain Locke.

P.S. The date is April 6th.

[Enc.]

Tentative Outline:

Howard University
February 28, 1935

Lectures and Discussion Conferences
on
PROBLEMS, PROGRAMS and PHILOSOPHIES of MINORITY GROUPS.

To be held two successive week-ends at Howard University under the auspices of the Department of Philosophy and the Division of the Social Sciences.

Proposed dates: 1st and 2nd week-ends in April: Thursday, Friday, Saturday
1935 April 4th, 5th, 6th
April 11th, 12th, 13th

FIRST WEEK.

Thursday Evening April 4th

THE PLIGHT of MINORITIES in the PRESENT-DAY WORLD.

Lectures:

----------Arnold Wolfers
Yale Univ. (invited)

Friday Afternoon April 5th

THE POLITICAL POSITION of MINORITY GROUPS
Chairman: Raymond Leslie Buell (Foreign Policy Assn.)

The League of Nations as a mechanism for Minority Protection. R. L. Buell

Discussion Conference:

The Potentialities of the Mandate Principle.---------

"Indirect Rule". Professor Ralph J. Bunche, Howard Univ.

Bi-Racialism in the U.S. -Professor E. Franklin Frazier, Howard Univ.

Friday Evening April 5th

----------Dr. Raymond L. Buell

Lectures:

New Policies of Imperialism toward Subject Peoples.
Prof. Ralph J. Bunche

Saturday Afternoon April 6th

MINORITY TACTICS and TECHNIQUES of MINORITY ASSERTION.
Chairman: Francis A. Hensen.(International Student Service)

Minority Tactics as illustrated by Jewish Experience.
Dr. J. A. Weinstein

Minority Tactics as illustrated by Negro Experience.
Professor W. E. B. DuBois, Atlanta Univ. (invited)

Discussion Conference:

Militant Tactics. Professor Breadus Mitchell (invited)
John Hopkins University

Non-Militant Tactics. Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson
Howard University.

Saturday Evening April 6th

The Economic Position of Minorities.

Lectures:

The Economic Interpretation of the Position of Minorities.
Professor Abram Harris, Howard University
The Soviet Policy and Program for Minorities.
Dr. Joshua Kunitz. (Editorial Staff, The New Masses)

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PROBLEMS, PROGRAMS and PHILOSOPHIES of MINORITY GROUPS.
Continued.

SECOND WEEK: MINORITIES: CULTURAL and RACIAL ASPECTS.

Thursday Evening
April 11th

CULTURAL PLURALISM vs. ASSIMILATION.

Stages in Social Conflict- Prof. H.O. Brown-Univ. of Cincinnati

Lectures:

Racialism vs. Assimilation. Prof. Eugen Rosenstock-Hussy Harvard University

The Psychological Factors of Group Conflict.
Prof. Otto Klineberg, Columbia University

Friday Afternoon
April 12th

RACIAL AND CULTURAL ASPECTS of MINORITY ISSUES.
Chairman: Dr. H.O. Brown

The Jewish Problem. -Rabbi Ira Eisenstein, Society for the Advanced Judaism

Discussion Conference:

The Negro Paradox.- Prof. Alain Locke, Howard University

The Position of the Oriental in the Present-Day World.
Dr. Taraknath Das, Catholic University.

Friday Evening
April 12th

A Comparison of the Jewish and the Negro Racial Experience.
Dr. J. A. Weinstein

Lectures:

An American Policy of Minority Issues: Louis Adamic

Saturday Afternoon
April 13th

RELIGIOUS and CREDAL DIFFERENCES.
Chairman: Dean B. E. Mays, Howard University

Religion as a Unifying Force: Rev. Russell Clinchy
Rev. John La Farge, S. J.

Discussion Conference:

Religion as a Separatist Force...Prof. Sidney Hook, New York Univ.

Basic Religion and World Unity...Horace Holley, Editor "World Unity"

Saturday Evening

Cultural Autonomy and World Peace-
Professor Wm. Ernest Hocking-Harvard University

Lectures:

Culrure and Democracy in the United States
Dr. Horace M. Kallen, New School of Social Research.

Making the World Safe for Minorities
Professor T.V. Smith, University of Chicago.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 6, 1935

Mr. Alain Locke
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Locke:

I have your letter of March 5. I shall be very glad to speak for you April 6 in return for payment for my board and traveling expenses.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Howard University
March 11, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois,

Thank you very much for your letter accepting our invitation to the Minority Problems Symposium and for agreeing to speak for us April 6. We all very much appreciate your co-operation.

Sincerely yours,

Alain Locke

49-16-13

(AM NOT ANSWERING THIS) Lecture

March 23,1935
Howard University
Washington, D.C.

Dear Doctor Du Bois:

Mea culpa! Am desperately sorry, but I thought in giving eight days from date of my letter, I had given sufficient time for word from you, and Friday sent the program to press. Of course, I will assume full responsibility and make appropriate explanation at the Friday evening session, of which I am fortunately chairman; in case you cannot magnanimously meet the unfortunate situation. Your secretary was not ■ to blame; I had word from her that she had forwarded my letter to you in Texas. I merely underestimated the time adequate for reply; and as you know by my letter was in the last stages of a nerve-racking ~~siege~~ siege of program making. I can assure you that my main motive was the expressed desire of several advisers that the larger evening audience have an opportunity of hearing you.

From that point of view, the topic that will cause least disappointment is the afternoon one; however you see its importance too in the program. It is a hard choice, but if you finally decide you must omit one, let it be the afternoon topic.

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Several copies of the printed program are already on their way to you by regular mail.

I am very heartened that you are accepting the invitation to do the booklet.

Let me close with regrets, and the hope that you will understand the situation.

With usual regard,

Sincerely yours,

Alain Locke.

Prof. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

49-16-16

March 28, 1935

Mr. Alain Locke
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Locke:

I shall be on hand to speak for you Friday night, April 6. I shall very much like to help out also in the afternoon, but I know I shall make a better job if I make the one speech.

I am sorry about the delay, but the mails are really in wretched conditions in the country just now.

Very sincerely yours,

WEB/h

W. E. B. DuBois

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 8, 1935

Dr. Alain Locke
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Locke:

I am awfully sorry for upsetting you with that letter. It was merely a slip of my memory. I was writing to Greensboro about the 7th, and to you about the 6th, and evidently got the letters turned around. I am always anxious when going to lecture to let people know that I am on my way, but evidently sometimes I am over-anxious.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 16, 1935

Dr. Alain Locke
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Locke:

I am arriving in Washington Friday night at ten o'clock, and have a meeting at ten o'clock Saturday morning. I can see you for a short talk after that meeting. I shall stop at 1333 "R" Street, N.W., Mrs. Davidson's. Would you write there and let me know how to get in touch with you between twelve and one, Saturday?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

49-16-20

[HOWARD UNIV.]

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

November 8, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

14-3-1-18

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have been requested by the Committee on Publication of the Proceedings of the Economic Conference held at Howard University last May to request your permission for the publication of your address. It was noted in going over the manuscripts delivered at the Conference that a notation appeared on yours to the effect that the material was not to be published.

In sending out the invitations to the speakers who addressed the conference and other literature in connection with it, Mr. Davis of the Joint Committee and I indicated that the proceedings of the conference would be published. All of the other speakers have consented to the use of their manuscripts and we are very anxious to receive your consent for publication, in order that the proceedings may be complete. We are using the January issue of the Journal of Negro Education as the vehicle for publication. We will be happy to send you the proofs for correction, or revision, if you desire us to do so.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph J. Bunche.

Ralph J. Bunche.

LBS.

[HOWARD UNIV.]

14-3-19

November 11, 1935

Mr. Ralph J. Bunche
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Bunche:

The speech which I delibered at Howard will be published in my booklet in the Adult Education Series which will appear, I imagine, sometime this winter. If the January number of the Journal of Negro Education is going to be published before the first of January, I should be glad to have my paper appear there. However, I would like to correct the proof.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

November 15, 1935

14-31-20

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I wish to thank you for your note of November 11 concerning your manuscript. I have consulted with Dr. Locke concerning the matter and he has informed me that, since the Journal is to appear with your article the first week in January, there will be no conflict with the publication of the adult education series.

We thank you for the privilege of publishing the manuscript and will be glad to submit you a proof as soon as we get it.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph J. Bunche.

Ralph J. Bunche.

LBS.

CROSS REFERENCE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE PRECEDING,

DuBois - Howard Univ. Correspondence, 1935

SEE THE FOLLOWING:

DuBois - Alain Locke Correspondence, 1935

[c. AUGUST 1935?]

E. GAYLORD HOWELL, M. D.
120 New Street
New Brunswick, N. J.

14-20-10

Dearest Edward,

Esther gave me your message incorrectly - She didn't tell me to call the very next Morning She said to call some morning before eleven - Anyhow, I called twice - first, I was told you were out at present - the next day I was told you had gone on a vacation and would not return before the end of August - I asked if I might have your address but that was not possible -

You will laugh when I tell you that I went to the extreme in obtaining it. It's funny how I got it but I do not care

so long as this reaches you -

Oh Edward how busy I have been!

Do you know I have just been appointed by Governor Hoffman to the Boundary Commission of N. J State. An unusual honor - a good salary and the prestige of such an appointment means a great deal toward the things I wish to ultimately achieve - I have compiled an text on theory which at the present has far better prospects than my own - especially since the state board examination is required now -

Honestly I am just sick because you have gone so far away for a vacation - I was hoping you might be at Spring Lake or somewhere near where I might come too for a few

E. GAYLORD HOWELL, M. D.
120 New Street
New Brunswick, N. J.

14-20-11

days. I've got to go away for a rest because I am really quite tired now.

Please do not remain up there so long Edward - do come down this way for at least a little of your vacation because I do so badly want to see you.

I feel sure that you are going to be happy over the things I have succeeded in doing the last two years -

By the way, I have bought out my brother's share of the estate in Princeton and I am happy to own it alone.

I can never tell you all I want to in this letter -

Write me at Spring St., Princeton -
I do not suppose you have
forgotten the address since you
kept my phone number in mind -
Write me hurriedly dear &
tell me just when you
are returning -

Love - always

Christine Howell

[AUGUST 1935?]

JN

Dearest Edward,

I had to leave Spring Lake in a frantic state -

Donald was taken ill at camp with an ear trouble - I had just been to visit him a week before + warned Mr Coleman that if his ear continued to annoy him to take him to Barnes (our Dr in Phila) - They took him to Phila last Fri + upon examination Barnes discovered it

to be

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a mastoid condition - They put him in a hospital - when they phoned me I almost went wild - I was really incapacitated myself at the time, so you know it almost knocked me out.

I am staying here with my cousin Jean Nash at 765 N. 47th St. Apt A-33 - I will not leave Phila until Donald is perfectly well - They operated on him Sat night & Dr Barnes is trying to avoid another operation -

The Governor of N.J. wrote me to come to lunch on Monday - I became so excited & upset. I never phoned or wrote regrets - Now you can realize my chaotic state -

I shall remain here indefinitely - so if you want to, run in to see me some day - My Cousin is fine - Her home is my home!

Much Love,

Christine Howell

P.S. If this letter seems disjointed, please pardon me - You understand

P.S. (over)

If you are coming, send me a telegram at this address, in care of Jean Nash - because I'm always at the hospital - No phone here -

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

August 30, 1935

14-20-12

Mrs. Christine Howell
C/O Jean Nash
765 North 47 Street
Apartment A33
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Christine:

I was so very sorry to learn of Donald's illness and hope he is better by now. As I told you over the telephone, I shall not be able to get away until next week, but let me know how long you are going to be in Philadelphia.

With best love

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

220 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 10, 1935

14-20-13

Mrs. Christine Howell
12 Spring Street
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Christine:

I do not know whether this will find you home or not or how Donald is getting on, but I am coming over sometime this week. Monday, the 16th, would suit me best. How will that do? Let me hear from you as soon as possible.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/Dw

October 5, 1935

Mrs. Christine Howell
12 Spring Street
Princeton, New Jersey

41-02-14

My dear Christine:

Fate was against us and after all I did not get a chance to see you. First of all, tell me about Donald and how he came out of his operation. I know what a terrible session it must have been to you and I was so sorry that I did not get to Philadelphia at the time. Nevertheless, I shall see you in Princeton sometime this coming year.

With best love

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/Dn

Hubbard

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 4, 1935

Mrs. Hubbard
4805 Vincennes Avenue
1st Apartment, C/O Simon E. Heard
Chicago, Illinois

12-28-37

My dear Mrs. Hubbard:

A check for $33.81, which was sent to your daughter in payment for gold left with me, was probably forwarded by her to you. It has come back to the bank, the Bedford Branch of the Brooklyn Trust Company, and the South Center Department Store in Chicago at 27th Street at South Parkway says that the person presenting it hurriedly left the store without getting it cashed. Will you kindly let me know whether or not you received the check, and what happened to it?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

4805 Vincennes ave Chicago Ill.
March 6. 1935

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University
Atlanta Geroga.

3-28-35

my dear Dr. Du Bois.
yours letter of mch 4 recd- this a.m.
am very surprised at its contents. no I have not received the check mentioned, but was expecting it as my daughter had written to me telling me that she had sent check as you described in your letter.
am sorry it went wrong. I will keep quiet at this end. trusting that you will be able to straighten the matter o.k. for me.
many thanks.
I am yours sincerly.

(mrs.) E.D. Hubbard.

(Sorry)

[Fine?]

The South Center Department in Chicago, is at 47th street, at South Parkway.

(not 27th st)

4-28-38

4805 Vincennes Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois,
April 19, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I am very proud to inform you that, after going in person to the South Center Department Store and inquiring about the check that you sent my daughter, which had been presented for payment, I received payment after identification.

I thank you for informing me concerning same, which proved to be an aid in securing payment.

Best wishes to you and yours,

I am,

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) E. D. Hubbard.

12-28-43

Hubbard

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 7, 1935

14-28-29

Miss Lillie Maie Hubbard
C/O American Consulate
Las Palmas, Canary Islands

My dear Lillie Maie:

Enclosed is the correspondence concerning the gold. I finally got it through Dr. Beekman, the dentist, in New York, and I am enclosing the report and his check. I did not send the check to your mother because you did not give me her name, and the apartment, and it would not be safe to send a check to her in that way. You can return it to her.

I am so glad to have been of use to you and am sorry the matter has been delayed so long. At any rate, the money has not been spent.

I hope this will find you well and preperous.

With many regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures

Las Palmas, Canarias,
Feb. 12, 1935.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I thank you very much for the check in payment for the "pot of gold", which I have forwarded to mother. I feel very grateful to you for all the trouble you underwent for us. Mother will be equally as happy. We have another added to our staff in the person of Mr.

14-28-30

-Wm. C. George who was at Monrovia. He arrived last Wednesday, accompanied by his wife and 18 months old baby girl.

14-28-31

I am well and enjoying life as well as possible under the circumstances.

I shall be pleased to hear from you at any time.

Kind regards and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Lillie Maie Hubbard.

Hubbard

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 4, 1935

14-28-34

Miss Lillie Maie Hubbard
Consulate Clerk
Las Palmas, Canary Islands

My dear Lillie Maie:

I have just written your mother. Can you clear up this matter? I do not know whether the check was stolen or whether it was she that presented it and left without payment. I am writing Dr. Beekman, who sold the gold, and who is writing me now from Brooklyn.

I have your letter and I am glad to hear that you are well.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

American Consulate,
Las Palmas, Canary Islands, March 27, 1935.

Dr, W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

14-28-42

I have your letter of March 4, 1935, enclosing copies of letters you wrote to mother and which you received from the South Center Department Store, Chicago, regarding the check you sent me to be forwarded to mamma.

I had just received a letter from mamma saying that she had not received the letter and as I had written to her that I failed to number that letter and stating that it contained a check from you in payment of the gold, she feared that it might have been lost.

I write to mother every week and number each letter. The letter containing the check was mailed from here on Feb. 6, last and I made an attempt to register the letter, but failed by 2 minutes as the mail closed an hour earlier on that day. As you will note on the copy of the enclosed envelope the word "certificado" it was already prepared for registering, and the envelope was sealed with my signet ring in two places. This letter should have been No. 14, but I failed to number it, but left space when I wrote the next letter in order that mother would know that there was one missing in case she received the following letter. The letter however, went forward in the ordinary mail as I had no thought that any one would intercept their mail, but only wanted to use precaution by registering it. (I will wait next time for the next mail and register the letter.)

I regret that such has been the case but it makes me skeptical about their mail and how it is delivered. I write to them each week and send mother money every month, but will have to use the registered mail more often. I hope that the South Side Store will be able to investigate the matter and find out who is the guilty one, it may save future trouble.

I also included in the same letter of Feb. 6, the correspondence you sent me exchanged by you and Dr. Beekman, and mother was to return it to you. They kept the letter and its contents. You would have thought that they might have returned the letter.

Kind regards and best wishes, and I shall be pleased to hear from you at any time. Love to the folks at home when you write.

Sincerely yours,
Lillie Mae Hubbard.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 25, 1935

Miss Lillie Maie Hubbard
C/O AMERICAN CONSULATE
Las Palmas, Canary Islands

My dear Lillie Maie:

I had a letter from your mother yesterday saying that she had received her money at last. I am sorry for this long delay.

I knew when you wrote so that delivery of mail in Chicago experiment houses is a bit uncertain, and when you send money, you should take time to register it, otherwise, you never can tell.

I hope this will find you well and happy. I have just had an intimation that I may spend sometime in Germany in 1935-1936. If I go, I shall try to run by the Azores.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[HUBBARD]

HOTEL DE FRANCE ET PARIS
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POSTAL : APARTADO 32
TELÉFONOS - 2318-2319

Cadiz, Spain,
July 8, 1935.

14-28-47

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Thanks for your letter of a few days ago, which I should have answered ere this time.

I am off on my holiday. Am here enroute to Madrid to visit some friends. We leave Madrid on the 15th of this month by automobile for Alicante, Spain where they have a summer home on the beach. I will be there until the 27th and back at my

desk the 5th of Aug. where I hope to find a letter from you.

You mentioned the possibility of going to Germany this fall of coming by the Azores islands. It is quite possible that you will pass the Azores islands and I fear you confused them with the Canary Islands which is quite out of your way, although it would be a lovely trip, in summer, but not winter.

Are you teaching summer school this year? I am fine & as fat as a pig, weighing 131 lbs.

I think I'll have to go on a diet.

I suppose you were glad to hear that our Govt. had recognized Liberia again. I was. The point is now, who will be the minister? Quite a number are clamoring for the position. Do you want it too? I heard there were three Johnsons on the list, including Joseph L. who was there prior to Minister Hood. Our friend Mr. Lestor A. Walton, I hear would like the position, also Prof. Johnson of Fisk.

Capt. Hansen Outley I hear is going out to organize the Frontier Force. He was out in Liberia during my time and we almost made a match.

A Spanish widower is on my trail now, but the worst part is he has 3 children 14, 11 & 10 yrs. the younger a girl. I like him too, but there comes the difference in races ek.

Looking to hear from you soon. Love to Mrs. Du Bois, Yolande & the Chubby little granddaughter.

Sincerely yours,
Lillie Mae.

Room 204
200 East 135 Street
New York, New York

August 29, 1935

14-28-48

Miss Lillie Maie Hubbard
C/O American Consulate
Las Palmas, Canary Islands

My dear Lillie:

Your letter from Spain found me in Maine on vacation. I went camping for a month and had a very lovely and beneficial outing. I am sure you had an interesting time.

The family is all well. Yolande returns to Baltimore to teach September 4 and the baby will stay with Mrs. Du Bois and the nurse. They are all well, especially Yolande has taken off about thirty pounds of flesh and looks and feels like a new person.

Lester Walton and his family sailed for Liberia yesterday. I did not have a chance to have a long talk with him but wrote him a letter. I think he will do his best, but he may not be a match for the Firestone diplomacy. At any rate, I have warned him.

As you say, I got the Azores and Canaries mixed up when I wrote you. I shall probably be going to Germany in the spring for several months' stay, but doubt if I shall get as far south as the Canaries. If I can, I shall be only too glad to come.

Let me hear from you at Atlanta University at your convenience.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

American Consulate,
Las Palmas, Canary Islands, September 25, 1935.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Thanks very much for your letter of August 29, from New York.

We regretted very much that we did not see Mr. Walton while enroute to Monrovia, but presume that he was on a steamer which did not touch here, all of them do not. I sincerely hope that his sojourn in Liberia will be a pleasant one. So many of our men have gone out there and left "tales" behind them.

14-28-49

Conditions have changed so much in Liberia since my time there, that I suppose the friends I knew there would appear like strangers now. There are 2 Liberian ladies here now for their health. One works for Dr. Fuszek and the other in the Attorney General's office. The world's attention has been distracted from Liberia for a while and turned to Abyssinia. I wonder what the outcome will be.

I listened in over the radio to the Joe Lewis and Max Baer prize fight last night at 1 o'clock and was happy to know that the former won. However, it was too short.

Glad that your family is well. Kind regards to them and to your self.

A line from you occasionally will be appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

Lillie M. Hubbard.

November 11, 1935

Miss Lillie Mae Hubbard
American Consulate
Las Palmas, Canary Islands

14-28-50

My dear Lillie Mae:

I have your letter of September 25. I am sorry you did not meet Walton. However, he is a good fellow and has his family to look after him. I think he will get on very well.

Recently, I have heard nothing about conditions in Liberia. As you say, Ethiopia has got the center of the stage just now. The reaction, however, on the part of Europe has been magnificent and there may be some slight hope.

I hope your work is going on well. Mine is satisfactory and my book which came out this summer has received a good deal of favorable notice.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

GEORGIA STATE INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE
INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE, GEORGIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

BENJAMIN F. HUBERT
PRESIDENT

October 7, 1935.

14-21-1

My dear Dr. DuBois: I have your letter of recent date. It seems to me that an encyclopedia such as is planned would certainly be helpful to students who are interested in Negro Life.

If I can be of any assistance to you in your plans, kindly let me know.

Very truly yours,

President

BFH:JF
Dr. W. E. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

14-21-32

October 15, 1935.

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I welcome the opportunity to co-operate as suggested to me in your letter of September 10th. I heartily agree with the Board, that the time has come when some authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro, in the form of an Encyclopedia is now in demand.

I would be glad to contribute an article as follows; "Italo-Ethiopian Relations Since 1869". This however will include a brief foreword on Ethiopian History.

Please inform me of the approximate length of the article and the approximate date on which I should submit it to you.

Very truly yours,

Willis N. Huggins

Dr. Willis N.Huggins

WNH:EH

BISHOP COLLEGE

MARSHALL, TEXAS

SCHOOL OF RELIGION

June 4, 1935

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I have just completed for publication a carefully prepared manuscript entitled, THE TRAGEDY OF NEGRO RELIGION. An effort is made to give a frank, critical appraisal of the religious situation among Negroes. Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr, professor of Christian Ethics at Union Theological Seminary, New York, has criticised the manuscript and commented favorably upon it.

I am hoping, if possible, to get some outstanding Negro leader and thinker to introduce this work to the public. And I am appealing to you to honor and assist me in this capacity, if after a critical examination of these essays you are quite willing to give your endorsement openly. May I have your reaction to this appeal at your earliest convenience?

Presidents Hope and Archer know me personally, as I am a graduate of Morehouse College. But probably it is unnecessary to offer any credentials as my book must stand upon its own merits.

Enclosed is a table of contents which will give a general picture of the topics treated. Even if you declined to write an introduction to this work, I should be honored and helped considerably to have you criticise the manuscript.

Very cordially yours,

J. Neal Hughley

J. Neal Hughley
Bishop College
Marshall, Texas

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17-6-27

Room 204
200 West 135 Street
New York, New York

August 29, 1938

Mr. J. Neal Hughley
Bishop College
Marshall, Texas

My dear Mr. Hughley:

Your letter of June 4 reached Atlanta after my departure on vacation and I have just had a chance to see it and answer it.

I have rather fixed ideas concerning the ethics of prefaces and introductions to books. It seems to me that they can be ofstwo kinds: one, from persons personally acquainted with the author; that is, in your case, President Hope or President Archer could write one for you. In the other case, the introduction should be based upon a thorough study and knowledge of the book in question and agreement with it. This would mean a study of your book on my part; a judgment as to how far I can endorse it. I should be loathed to undertake such a task chiefly on account of the time and also because I have not the slightest idea what my final judgment would be.

But aside from all this, I think by far the wisest thing for a young author is to face the public on his own responsibility. I do not believe that introductions help much or that many people read them. If you have got something to say, say it on your own responsibility and get full credit for it.

I hope this will strike you as good advice.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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October 15, 1935

14-24-104

Dr. William E. B. DuBois
Dept. Sociology
Morehouse Col., Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

With sterilization now the law in 28 American states*, some knowledge of it is a mere matter of good citizenship. Many instructors have used our literature in the past for distribution to their classes as a means of accurate information on this subject. If you would care to do this and will so indicate in the space below, we shall be glad to send the material without any expense to you.

Cordially yours,

E. S. Gosney

E. S. Gosney, President.

Please send me:

_____ copies "Eugenic Sterilization."

_____ " Table of Sterilizations performed.

*Add South Carolina, 1935, to list of states herewith.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 11, 1935

Mrs. H. A. Hunt
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mrs. Hunt:

Won't you have dinner with me and Mrs. Lampkin at the Atlanta University dining room? I will be in the women's lounge at 6 o'clock.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 7, 1935

14-28-2

Mrs. Henry Hunt
Fort Valley High
and Industrial School
Fort Valley, Georgia

My dear Mrs. Hunt:

I am coming down Monday afternoon to stay until Wednesday morning, and bringing Miss Prophet with me. I hope we will find the latch string out.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/D

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 4, 1935

Mrs. Henry Hunt
Fort Valley High and
Industrial School
Fort Valley, Georgia

My dear Mrs. Hunt:

I am going to speak in Macon at the State Teachers' Association April 12 and I am going to bring Miss Prophet down. I am planning after the lecture to come over and spend the week end with you, if you will permit.

I hope this will find you well.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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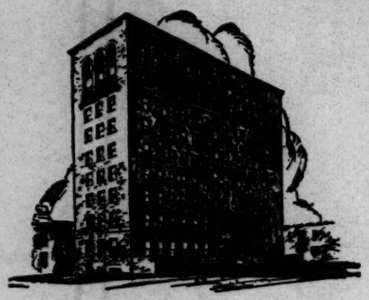

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October 11, 1935

14-21-20

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am in receipt of your recent letter relative to tentative plans for publishing an Encyclopaedia of the Negro.

You have asked me to participate by contributing an article to such an encyclopaedia. Not until recently have I had time to give serious thought to the part I will be able to play in this very commendable effort; I am deeply interested in it.

If I make a contribution, I would like to make it on my particular field,--social service, which from a scientific viewpoint, is a comparatively new field for the Negro. Would you want those engaged in social service in the early days of our freedom included in such an article, or just the recent and present contributors to social service advancement?

The only other subject that I could contribute an article on would have to do with club work among women, since 1900.

If my suggestions are not in line with your plans, please inform me and tell me just what you have in mind for me to do. I would also like to know how much time will be allotted contributors in which to do necessary research work.

May I assure you of my sincere desire to cooperate with you and your committee?

Sincerely yours,

Jane E. Hunter
General Secretary.

JEH:alw

TELEPHONE
WICKERSHAM 2-5900

THE BARCLAY
111 EAST 48TH STREET
New York City.

November 10
1935.

14-28-52

Dear Dr DuBois.

I am enclosing a letter of introduction to you from Dr Anson Phelps Stokes, which I think explains itself. Should you be free during the next few days it would be a great privilege if I could meet you before I leave New York, that is if you have any time to spare. Unfortunately

I am only here until next Tuesday when I leave for the West, but I am writing in the hopes that it may be possible to fix something before that. I could call on you at some time convenient to you, or if you are likely to be in this part of town my husband & I would be delighted if you would come & see us here.

I wonder if you would be very kind and call me up here (room 1366) as soon as convenient to you?

would have presented this letter before only I have been in the South making a tour by car & have not been back for very long.

Yours truly

Elspeth Huxley.

December 2, 1935

Mrs. Elspeth Huxley
Barclay Hotel
111 East 48 Street
New York, New York

My dear Madam:

I have your letter of November 28 and the note of introduction from Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes.

14-28-53

I was in the city only a couple of days at Thanksgiving and then had to return immediately to my work here in Atlanta where I spend eight months of each year. It was impossible, therefore, for me to see you in New York, but I trust that if you pass through Atlanta, I shall have the pleasure of meeting you. I shall be in New York again for a few days during the Christmas holidays, but after that not until late spring.

I have long been interested in Kenya and have regarded Lord Delamere as one of the great and persistent enemies of the Negro race to be bracketed along with Smuts and his ilk of South Africa,—white men who consider that any part of this world that they see fit in their greed to covet, belongs to them by divine right.

I shall be glad to learn from you or anyone else how far I am wrong in this judgment.

I am, Madame,

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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FISK UNIVERSITY

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DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

November 13, 1935

Dr W E B DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr DuBois:

I was very interested on my return to Nashville, to find your letter of the 5th with regard to the proposed Encyclopedia of the Negro. I had wondered what had become of this project of which I heard something about three years ago.

In regard to your questions, I would say that under such management as is announced, I do think that a very valuable contribution will be made in the production of such a publication. I am entirely at your disposal in so far as my abilities go for any articles which may be suggested but at the moment I seem to have difficulty in suggesting myself any subjects in which I am interested which might be described as "concerning the Negro Race". It is entirely possible that as the proposed encyclopedia is developed, we may think of some such subject upon which I can write authoritatively and acceptably.

With kind personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours

Elmer S Imes

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In case of reply please quote the date of this letter and the following No. 2689

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14-11-10

W. E. B. DuBois Esq.,
Department of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir,

I have been requested by the Hon. Colonial Secretary to supply you with information regarding this Society.

I am forwarding you under separate cover the Secretary's Report for the Half-Year ending 31st. March 1935, the minutes of the Half-Yearly General Meeting held on Thursday, 10th. January 1935, copy of our Rules and Bye Laws as also draft rules relating to the Affiliated Branches of this Society, pamphlet covering the History, Work and Progress of the Jamaica Agricultural Society and the last three issues of the Journal of the Jamaica Agricultural Society.

We trust that the information you require will be

W. E. duBois Esq.,

supplied by these publications.

Yours very truly,

Glaister Baxter,
Secretary.

14-11-41

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3rd. December, 1935.

14-11-12

W.E.B. Du Bois Esq.,
Department of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.,
U. S. A.

Dear Sir,

We have received, from the Colonial Secretary, Jamaica, a copy of your letter to him of 24th October last.

We send herewith copies of the Annual Reports, etc., from 1929-1934 and trust that these will give you the information which you wish.

If you are particularly interested in any particular feature of the Association's history or operations please let us know and we will be glad to write you more fully.

Yours very truly,

THE JAMAICA BANANA PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION LTD.

Per. [signature]

Secretary

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THE BANANA NEWS

Bulletin of The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Limited.

No 7. June 1930

Notice of Annual General Meeting.

Contract No.....

No. of votes.....

Dear Sir or Madam,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the SECOND ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd., will be held at the Ward Theatre, Kingston, at noon on Thursday, 17th July, 1930.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following Agenda showing the business to be transacted.

1. Reading of Notice convening the meeting.
2. Reading and confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting.
3. Presentation and adoption of Report and Balance Sheet to 31st December, 1929.
4. Remunerations of Auditors, 1929.
5. Election of Directors:

   (The retiring Directors are Messrs. F. M. Kerr-Jarrett and K. A. Robinson who are eligible for re-election.)
6. Election of Auditors for 1930.

   (The retiring Auditors are Messrs. Bowman and Parkinson who are eligible for re-election).
7. Any other business that may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meting.

All questions will be decided at the meeting by a show of hands but if a poll is demanded and if it cannot be held forthwith then the meeting shall fix a time when the poll will be taken and the question decided.

Members of the Association who are unable to be present but who are members of the Jamaica Producers' Association, Limited can exercise their vote in accordance with Article 32 of the Articles of Association which reads:—

> "The members of this company who are also members of any District Association of the Jamaica Producers' Association, Limited, may by votes made in accordance with the provisions of Article 26 hereof appoint a delegate to attend at any Ordinary or Extraordinary general meeting of this company and such delegate shall be entitled to cast the votes which such members of this company would have been entitled to cast if personally present at any such meeting provided that if any of such members of such District Association shall be personally present at any such meeting he shall vote on his own account and his votes shall not be counted in the votes which the delegate shall cast."

Members are hereby reminded that, if they are members of the Jamaica Producers' Association, Ltd., they can, as above set out, be represented by a delegate chosen by a District Association of the Jamaica Producers' Association, Ltd., but otherwise votes must be given personally except in the case of members absent from the island who alone may vote by proxy.

In order that we may make proper arrangements, kindly notify us if you will be present.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD.

THE JAMAICA BANANA PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION, LIMITED,

E. C. JOYSEY, Secretary.

Dated June 20th, 1930.

PLEASE BRING WITH YOU TO THE MEETING YOUR 1930 PASS BOOK TOGETHER WITH THIS NOTICE.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your Directors have authorised the publication of the following Report and Balance Sheet at 31st December, 1929 in advance of the General Meeting to be held on Thursday, 17th July 1930, in order that all members may have an opportunity of considering these documents.

Any questions that members wish to ask will be answered at or before the General Meeting but you are requested to give seven days' notice of any question so that your Directors can prepare the necessary information to be given in the reply. This will also save time at the Meeting as more than one member may put forward the same question but in a different way. All questions of general interest will be printed in the Bulletin together with a full reply.

Your Directors look forward with pleasure to seeing as many Members as possible at the forthcoming General Meeting.

Yours truly,

E. C. JOYSEY, Secretary.

Directors' Report

Your Directors herewith beg to submit their first Report since the commencement of the operations of the Association covering the period from 1st April to 31st December, 1929.

As is well known to you, the Association was formed for the purpose of marketing the bananas grown by its members on a co-operative basis and the foundation on which your business rests consists of the contracts made between you and your Association.

On 1st April, 1929, there were 6,145 members who had contracted for a total of 36,042¾ acres in banana cultivation, but by 31st December, 1929 the number of members enrolled had grown to 7,700 and the acreage of banana cultivation under contract had increased to 41,077 acres. The growth of the Association has been of great encouragement to the Directors but it has also proved the source of considerable anxiety. It will be realised that it is impracticable for the Association to increase its membership and therefore the quantity of bananas available to it under contract, without first having arranged both for transportation and marketing facilities. These problems late in 1929 became so acute that it was necessary for your Directors to refrain from making further contracts.

There are many transactions occurring in your Association's operations, the details of which would be of great interest to its members if published but publication of which information would of necessity obviously not be to the advantage of the Association or its members and would probably injure the future successful operations of the Association and thus reduce the amount received by its members for their fruit.

Your Directors feel that you will agree with their decision to withhold all information which it is believed would in any way jeopardise the successful marketing of the bananas produced by members of the Association.

"THE BANANA NEWS."

At the end of 1929, the first number of our paper, "The Banana News" , was issued in order that members might be kept in close touch with the problems and policies of their Association. The Directors have been gratified to learn of the interest which has been taken in this new venture and they will be very glad to receive suggestions as to how the Bulletin may be improved. Whilst dealing with this matter, your Directors wish to repeat that members desiring authentic information should write to the Head Office of the Association when full particulars will, whenever practicable, be given.

MARKETING ARRANGEMENTS.

GREAT BRITAIN AND EUROPE.—The Jamaica Producers' Marketing Company Limited belongs entirely to your Association and was formed to market the bananas shipped in your space on the Direct Line Ships. By arrangement with the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation, the Marketing Company at present sells in Great Britain and on the Continent of Europe the entire cargoes that are shipped by the Direct Line vessels.

You will have already read in our Bulletins the story of the commencement of their work, and it is not necessary to refer to those early days except to say that on the foundation laid down by Messrs. Monro & Ravenhill (the Managing Directors in London of the Marketing Company) a sound selling organisation has been created whereby your bananas reach the consumers in the important markets served by the Marketing Company.

It appears that the excess of demand over supply (particularly on the Continent) is most conspicuous in these markets and the prices obtainable in these markets cannot be taken further advantage of until arrangements can be made to increase our shipping facilities to Europe.

Prices in these markets were depreciated during 1929 but the average results obtained compared favourably with those from the American and Canadian markets and your Directors anticipate that the 1930 results should show an improvement.

CANADA.—Your Directors wish to express, on your behalf, their appreciation of the arrangements made by the Canadian National Steamships for the transportation of your bananas to Canada. Every help and encouragement has been given to the Association by that Line with a view to the extension of the important market in Canada to which access was made possible by the terms of the Canada-West Indies Treaty of 1925. The Canadian market is one which should be of very great value in the future when the banana becomes more popular there as a fruit which is always in season, especially as the population of that great Dominion is growing so rapidly in numbers and wealth and it is the only market in which our bananas enjoy preference against all foreign bananas.

The distribution and marketing of bananas in Canada is done by the Canada-West Indies Fruit Company, Ltd. The Association has a resident representative in Canada so that your Directors are very fully informed as to conditions there.

CO-OPERATION IN ADVERTISING.

You will be interested to learn of a practical co-operative scheme which has been put into effect by a combination of the largest concerns interested in the marketing of bananas in the United States of America and in Canada. An Association known as "The Banana Growers Association" has been formed in order to conduct an advertising campaign which has for its object the development of the demand for bananas as an all-the-year round fruit. This scheme was referred to your Directors, who had no hesitation whatever in expressing their willingness to join with the other large concerns interested, and arrangements were made accordingly.

RESULTS OF 1929.

As you are well aware, there was strenuous competition during 1929 in Jamaica and the markets abroad. The steady support and loyalty of the majority of the members enabled the Association to function in a manner which left no doubt as to the stability of your infant organisation. Critics here and abroad who were doubtful as to whether it was possible to combine all classes in one great co-operative movement, were amazed at the courage and steadfastness which were shown under most trying conditions by those who had joined in an entirely unique system whereby the collection, transportation and marketing of their produce was done on co-operative principles.

The operations of your Association being entirely new had to be carried on under considerable difficulties whilst the necessary organisations were established and put in running order. New ground had to be broken in every direction and, although your Directors do not claim that perfect efficiency has yet been attained, valuable experience has been gained for future guidance in the conduct of your business.

Your Directors recognise that the question of remuneration of Agents by way of a commission or on a salary basis has been creating a great deal of discussion in the country.

Your Directors desire to refer you to the April number of the 'Banana News' wherein the matter is fully set out and discussed. You can rest assured that this matter has been, and is, and will continue to be of great interest to your Directors and will be carefully watched and such action taken from time to time as your Directors consider to be in the best interest of the Association.

Your Directors wish to again express their regret at the delay in making the final settlement for 1929 but it is felt that members will recognise the tremendous difficulties which were encountered.

The Accounts of the Association are, of necessity, complicated owing to the intricate agreements and arrangements which are in force and it must be remembered that the final figures for any one year cannot be completed until the accounts of your associated Companies (The Jamaica Producers' Marketing Company Ltd., and The Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Limited) have been completed and audited. It is hoped however, that, in the future, it will be possible to make the final settlement within the first three months after the end of each year.

There are certain accounts between the Association and the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation and other parties in connection with 1929 deliveries and expenses which have not yet been definitely closed, but full provision has already been made for all outstanding liabilities. The accounts referred to above are under consideration by your Directors and all necessary adjustments will be made in the accounts for 1930.

OUTLOOK FOR 1930.

It is, of course, impossible to give you any definite information as to the results to be expected during the current year but your Directors are confident that, with the loyal support of the Members, the progress made during 1929 will be fully maintained, and that your Association will continue to grow both in strength and influence. Market conditions, both in Jamaica and abroad, are now more satisfactory and your Directors feel that 1930 will show, in no uncertain way, the benefits arising from membership of the Association.

The shipments made this year have been of increasing volume and the proceeds compare favourably with the results for the same period in 1929.

RETIREMENT OF DIRECTORS.

The Articles of Association provide that one-third of the Directors subject to retirement are to retire at each Annual General Meeting and in accordance therewith, Messrs. F. M. Kerr-Jarrett and K. A. Robinson retire at this General Meeting but are eligible for re-election.

OFFICE STAFF.

Your Directors consider themselves fortunate in having been able to build up within a very short time an Office Staff which has responded to the heavy demands which have been made on it, and this Report would not be complete without an expression of appreciation of the efficiency, willingness and loyalty of the Office Staff.

So far as the Office Premises are concerned, it is recognised that they are inadequate to meet any further expansion of your business and, whilst the matter is not urgent at this time, due consideration will have to be given in the near future to the provision of larger and more convenient accommodation.

The Jamaica Banana Producers' Associaton, Ltd.

Balance Sheet as on 31st December 1929.

LIABILITIES.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Share Capital:		
Authorised: 240,000 shares of 1d. ea. ..	1,000 0 0	
Issued: 41,664 „ „ 1d. ea.		173 12 0
Debenture Loan Account:		
Authorised under Law 6 of 1928 at 5% per annum 400 Debentures £500 ea. ..	200,000 0 0	
Less: unissued at date	15,000 0 0	185,000 0 0
Reserve Account 1929 Contractors:		
Debenture Redemption Fund in hands of Island Treasurer as per contra ..		14,205 8 0
Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co., Ltd.		
Advance Account		36,900 0 0
Creditors:		
Advances authorised but not yet paid ..	10,886 6 2	
Sundry Creditors	18,527 12 8	29,413 18 10
Pool Account:		
Amount payable for final settlement 1929 deliveries, (subject to Income Tax if any)		31,926 5 4
Note:—To the above balance on Pool account there is to be added Interest accrued during 1930		
		£297,619 4 2

ASSETS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Cash—		
Barclay's Bank Current Account ..	3,397 6 10	
„ „ Deposit „	10,000 0 0	
„ „ London ..	3,624 19 11	
Royal Bank of Canada, London ..	3,877 14 0	
In hands of Agents	7,767 2 2	
In Kingston Office	12 19 3	28,680 2 2
Sundry Debtors:		20,452 18 3
Investment Account:		
Ja. Producers' Marketing Co., Ltd. 75,000 shares of £1. ea. fully paid at cost	75,000 0 0	
Ja. Direct Fruit Line, Ltd. 10,004 shares of £1. each, fully paid at cost	10,004 0 0	
Advances against which, 139,996 shares of £1. ea. are to be issued	139,996 0 0	225,000 0 0
Property Account:		
Banana sheds, Office Furniture and Fixtures, Stationery, Wharf Fixtures etc., Fruit Inspectors' Cars, &c. (Less depreciation)		1,636 9 9
Debenture Redemption Fund:		
In hands of Island Treasurer for Sinking Fund on Debenture Loan		14,205 8 0
Preliminary Expenses, Balance ..		7,644 6 0
		297,619 4 2

NOTE:—We have examined the above Balance Sheet with the books, vouchers and documents of the Association, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Association's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shewn by the books of the Association.

(Sgd.) W. BOWMAN,
Chartered Accountant.
(Sgd.) R. PARKINSON.
Certified Accountant.
Auditors.

Statement Explanatory of Balance Sheet.

LIABILITIES.

Dealing first with the side of the Balance Sheet headed "Liabilities," it will be noted that, at 31st December 1929, 41,664 shares of 1d. each had been issued and the value of these shares, £173 12/- represents a nominal contribution by the members towards the Capital of the Association. This trivial amount was necessary in order to comply with the requirements of the Company laws.

The second heading shows the £200,000 Debentures which were guaranteed as to principal and interest by the Government of Jamaica. This £200,000 represents the real capital of the Association. It is obvious that no business can be conducted without capital and the Directors, when the Association started, were faced with the problem of the best means of obtaining capital. The object in view was achieved when the Government acceded to the request made by your Directors that £200,000 Debentures should be guaranteed, to be redeemed by a contribution of 2d. per count bunch. Members may congratulate themselves on the easy method that has been provided to enable them to supply capital and this is entirely due to the enlightened and sympathetic view taken by the Government. Each Member therefore contributes his pro rata share of the capital by means of instalments made in accordance with the number of payable bunches handled by the Association for him. It is obvious that the capital thus placed at the disposal of the Directors had to be invested by them for the benefit of the Association in the acquisition of ships and the establishment of the Marketing Company.

Out of the total, of £200,000 the Association had, up to 31st December 1929, sold £185,000, leaving £15,000 of Debentures in hand. The total expenditure on Capital A/C was actually more than £185,000 but, in order to keep interest charges as low as possible, funds arising from the sale of bananas were used to meet a part of the capital expenditure. The matter has, since the date of the Balance Sheet, been adjusted by selling Debentures to replace some of the current money used for capital expenditure.

The item "Reserve A/C 1929 Contractors" shows the deductions of 2d. per count bunch for the 9 months to 28th December, 1929 which were £21,705 8/- less £7,500 used to pay the interest for that period on £200,000 Debentures at 5% per annum, leaving £14,205 8/- which has been invested by the Government towards the redemption of the Debentures, and which represents the actual payment by members up to the 31st December 1929, on account of capital.

The next item shows £36,900 lent to the Association by the Jamaica Producers' Marketing Company, Limited. In round figures £25,000 of this loan has been used for capital expenditure and for preliminary expenses incurred before 1st April, 1929 and the difference of, say, £11,900 is an advance by the Marketing Company in respect to bananas in transit between Jamaica and Great Britain.

Creditors.—The total shown, £29,413 18s. 10d. represents:—

(1) Amounts due to various parties with whom the Association does business.
(2) Amounts due to members for monthly and quarterly advances to 31st December, 1929, which could not be authorised until after that date.

Pool Account.—The amount shown under this head, £31,926 5s. 4d. is the total amount due to members in final settlement of their deliveries during the 9 months to 28th December, 1929.

ASSETS.

Dealing now with the other side of the Balance Sheet headed "Assets", the first group of items shows that the Association had in cash at 31st December 1929, £28,680 2s. 2d. (This total, of course, does not include the £15,000 worth of Debentures which were on hand and have since been sold.)

The next item of £20,452 18s. 3d. represents the amounts due to the Association by other parties. Practically all of this money has since been paid in cash to the Association.

Investment Account.—These amounts are shown in detail and the total represents the capital expenditure of the Association as at 31st December, 1929, in connection with the transportation and marketing of bananas in Great Britain and Europe. As will be seen from the Annual Report, the Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co., Ltd., is owned entirely by the Association but the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line, Ltd., is owned equally between the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation and the Association.

Property Account.—The figure shown, £1,636 9s. 9d. represents local capital expenditure for the purposes mentioned. The total cost has been written down so as to show the actual value at 31st December 1929 as near as can be determined.

The next heading represents the investment made by the Government in respect to the Sinking Fund A/C which has been explained in this statement.

The last item shows a balance of £7,644 6/- under the heading of "Preliminary Expenses." The total expenses incurred by the Association before 1st April 1929 amounted to £9,358 9s. 2d., the chief items being as follows:—

(1) Travelling and out-of-pocket expenses of Messrs. Farquharson and Johnston to America, Canada and England.
(2) Contribution to the Jamaica Producers' Association Ltd., in respect to their expenses in connection with Co-operation in Jamaica.
(3) Expenses in connection with the crop contract campaign in 1927, 1928 and to 31st March 1929.
(4) General Expenses, such as cables, telegrams and law costs in connection with the formation of the Association.

The Directors have decided that the above expenses should be written off in ten annual instalments so that the entire amount will be wiped out during the life of the contracts signed by the members of the Association and each year will bear an equal share of the expenses which were necessary to get the Association started.

JAMAICA DIRECT FRUIT LINE, LTD.

The following statement shows in round figures the position of the Association in connection with the four vessels owned by the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line, Ltd.

The total cost of the four ships after reconditioning, including the organising expenses, was in round figures £428,000. Of this amount £275,600 was paid in cash, £150,000 was borrowed on mortgage of the four vessels and the balance of £2,400 remained due to other parties.

The position was therefore:—

Association's one-half share ($\frac{1}{2}$ of £428,000)		£214,000 0 0
Less—		
One half of balance due on Mortgage	£75,000 0 0	
One half of other amounts due	1,200 0 0	76,200 0 0
Association's Cash Investment ..		£137,800 0 0

The amount which the Association paid in cash was made up by:—

Proceeds of Debentures	£110,000 0 0
Loan from Marketing Company	17,000 0 0
Current money used for capital expenditure ..	10,800 0 0
Total Cash Investment ..	£137,800 0 0

During the period to 31st December 1929, the mortgage on the vessels was reduced from £150,000 to £100,000 by payments made equally by the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation and the Association. During the same period the total value of the ships and organising expenses was written down by £25,000 from £428,000 to £403,000 to off-set the loss in value due to "wear and tear." The £25,000 loss in value is called "Provision for Depreciation" as it is an estimate only, it being impossible to measure the reduction in the value during any particular period. The purpose of this provision for depreciation is to set aside the money which represents the annual reduction in value to provide new vessels when those in use are no longer fit for service, but the Association has used their half of the £25,000 provided for depreciation to reducethe mortgage on the vessels.

The position as at 31st December 1929 was therefore:—

Cash Investment as previously shown ..	£137,800 0 0
Add: Payments in reduction of Mortgage ..	25,000 0 0
	£162,800 0 0
Deduct: One half Provision for Depreciation ..	12,500 0 0
	£150,300 0 0

and this amount was made up of:—

Proceeds of Debentures	£110,000 0 0
Loan from Marketing Co.	17,000 0 0
Current money used for capital expenditure ..	23,300 0 0
	£150,300 0 0

SPACE FOR NOTES.

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Bulletin of The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Limited.

No. 15 June 1931.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Dear Sir or Madam:—

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the THIRD ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd., will be held at the Ward Theatre, Kingston, at 12 noon on Wednesday the 22nd July, 1931.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following Agenda showing the business to be transacted.

1. Reading of Notice convening the Meeting.
2. Reading and confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting.
3. Presentation and adoption of Report and Balance Sheet to 3rd January, 1931.
4. Remuneration of Auditors, 1930.
5. Election of Directors:

   (The retiring Directors are Messrs. J. M. Nethersole and A. B. Lowe who are eligible for re-election).
6. Election of Auditors for 1931.

   (The retiring Auditors are Messrs. Bowman and Parkinson who are eligible for re-election).
7. Any other business that may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

All questions will be decided at the meeting by a show of hands but if a poll is demanded and if it cannot be held forthwith then the meeting shall fix a time when the poll will be taken and the question decided.

Members of the Banana Association who are unable to be present, being as they also are members of the Jamaica Producers' Organizing Association, Limited , can exercise their vote in accordance with Article 32 of the Articles of the Banana Association which reads:—

> "The Members of this Company who are also members of any District Association of the Jamaica Producers' Association, Limited, (now Jamaica Producers' Organizing Association, Limited) may by votes made in accordance with the provisions of Article 26 hereof appoint a delegate to attend at any Ordinary or Extraordinary general meeting of this Company and such delegate shall be entitled to cast the votes which such members of this company would have been entitled to cast if personally present at any such meeting provided that if any of such members of such District Association shall be personally present at any such meeting he shall vote on his own account and his votes shall not be counted in the votes which the delegate shall cast."

Members are hereby reminded that, as they are Members of the Jamaica Producers' Organizing Association, Ltd., they can, as above set out, be represented by a delegate chosen by a District Association of the Jamaica Producers' Organizing Association, Ltd., but otherwise votes must be given personally except in the case of members absent from the Island who alone may vote by proxy.

In order that we may make proper arrangements, kindly notify us if you will be present.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,

THE JAMAICA BANANA PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION, LIMITED,

G. F. MILNE,

Acting Secretary.

Dated June 1st., 1931.

FOR IDENTIFICATION PLEASE BRING WITH YOU TO THE MEETING YOUR 1931 PASS BOOK TOGETHER WITH THIS NOTICE.

Dear Sir or Madam:—

Your Directors have authorised the publication of the following Report and Balance Sheet at 3rd. January 1931, in advance of the General Meeting to be held on the 22nd July, 1931., in order that all members may have an opportunity of considering these documents. It will be observed that the Pool Account is also attached for the information of Members.

Any questions that members wish to ask will be answered at or before the General Meeting but you are requested to give seven days' notice of any question so that your Directors can prepare the necessary information to be given in the reply. This will also save time at the meeting as more than one member may put forward the same question but in a different way. All questions of general interest will be printed in the Bulletin together with a full reply.

Your Directors look forward with pleasure to seeing as many members as possible at the forthcoming General Meeting.

Yours truly,

G. F. MILNE, Acting Secretary.

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

Your Directors beg to submit herewith their Third Annual Report which covers the operations of the Association from the 28th of December, 1929 to the 3rd of January 1931.

NEW CONTRACTS.—On 31st December 1929 there were 7,700 members with an acreage in bananas of 41,077. In 1930, 2,707 new members were enrolled with an acreage of 8,410, bringing the total membership at the end of 1930 to 10,407 and the acreage to 49,487.

Practically all of the new members were enrolled previous to August 1930 as market conditions in July rendered it inadvisable to increase to any great extent the membership of the Association in spite of numerous applications to do so.

FRUIT HANDLED.—During 1930 the Association marketed 5,077,908 payable bunches for its members as compared with 2,613,762 payables from 1st April to 31st December 1929. the period covered by the Second Annual Report.

The following figures will prove interesting:—

	% of Total Contractors.	% of Total Acreage.	% of Total Payables.
1929.			
From ¼ to 50 acres	98.9	66.3	52.3
Over 50 acres	1.1	33.7	47.7
	100.	100.	100.
1930			
From ¼ to 50 acres	99.1	68.1	62.2
Over 50 acres	.9	31.9	37.8
	100.	100.	100.

It will be observed that there has been a marked improvement in the delivery of bananas by members whose acreages range from ¼ acre to 50 acres.

In the Directors' Report for 1929 which was dated June 20th, 1930, members were informed that market conditions both in Jamaica and abroad were more satisfactory and that shipments made up to date had increased in volume and that the proceeds compared favourably with the results of the same period in 1929.

In July, with dramatic suddenness the American and Canadian markets collapsed. This was obviously due not merely to a large surplus of domestic fruit but to general depression which brought ruin to thousands of business enterprises and millions of individuals in America and elsewhere.

Bananas were sold in the American and Canadian markets from July to the end of the year at prices netting much below the 50 cents. per payable guaranteed to the Association by the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation. Thus all the accumulated profits from these markets were wiped out and the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation was under an obligation to find a deficit between the net result and the 50 cents. guaranteed by them to the Association.

A chart is appended hereto showing the trend of prices in the markets (a) of the United States and Canada and (b) of Great Britain and Europe. This chart has been compiled from actual sales records of the Association.

Attention is directed to Pool Account for 1930. It will be observed that of the 5,077,908 payable bunches, 1,130,880 were shipped in the Association's space in the Direct Line ships to Great Britain and Europe; that is to say, 22 out of every 100 bunches. The Pool Account shows that there was no surplus from fruit shipped to the United States and Canada and the only credit to the fruit so shipped in the Pool Account is £9,038: the difference between 50 cents

guaranteed by Di Giorgio and 2/- paid to Contractors. The whole of the balance of receipts of the pool amounting to £97,858, have to be credited to the fruit shipped to Great Britain and Europe.

It is interesting to remark that in 1929 on a shipment of 593,413 payables to Great Britain and Europe, that is to say, 22.7% of the Association fruit handled, the credit to the Pool was over £50,000 while the credit for the other 77.3% of the fruit disposed of in the United States and Canada was in round figures £70,000. The results for the two years make it obvious that the policy of the Association should be to increase its shipments to Great Britain and Europe.

THE "PIONEER".—Under the contract between the Association and the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation, the Association is at liberty from time to time to increase its shipment of fruit to Great Britain and Europe, offering the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation an opportunity of joining which it can do on assuming the obligations mentioned in the contract. In view of the favourable returns from the English and European markets as compared with United States and Canada the Directors during the first half of 1930 decided to builda nother ship. Di Giorgio on being afforded the opportunity declined to join and the Association accordingly made arrangements for the building of a ship on behalf of its members.

The "Pioneer" (the name of the ship built) is now working and gives promise of largely increasing the profits of the Association inasmuch as the entire space in the ship is loaded exclusively with Association fruit.

As members are aware, the Imperial Government on the advice of the Colonial Development Advisory Committee has arranged for a loan of £50,000 to the Association for the building of a further ship. The details in connection with this have been arranged and it is proba ble that very shortly an order will be placed for a further ship of the same type as the "Pioneer."

The Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation have again declined to join in the building of the additional ship.

The "Pioneer" and any other ships that may be built will be vested in the Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Company, Ltd., a separate Company owned by the Association and under its direct control. It is believed that the cost of operating the new boats will be considerably less than that of the older Direct Line boats and that in consequence the returns will enable the boats to be paid for and leave a margin of profit to the Association on the bananas marketed, this margin will of course depend on market conditions in Great Britain and Europe.

Notwithstanding the unprecedented depression which has seriously affected business of every kind throughout the world, the returns to producers including the 2d. paid to the Government and reserves standing to their credit in respect of purchase of ships, amounted during the year to over 2s. 5d. per payable.

When one takes into consideration the fact that the majority of agricultural products are being sold, if sold at all, at prices below cost of production, banana producers may consider themselves fortunate in having secured so satisfactory a return. It is perhaps unnecessary to remind members that the other products of this Island—sugar, pimento, honey, cocoanuts, coffee, cocoa, sisal,—all sold last year and are now selling for a very poor price. To go further afield, the wheat growers of Canada and the United States have been unable to sell their wheat, and have enormous stocks on hand. Many fruits, pears, apples, plums, in both the United States and England, did not even pay for the cost of gathering them, and were left to rot on the trees.

While the banana producer has been in a more fortunate position during this time of stress, it is inevitable that banana prices must follow the general trend, but the Directors have every confidence that with the passing of the world depression and the continued and enhanced loyalty of members of the Association, the results obtained under happier conditions in the future will be more in accord with members' ambitions. It cannot, however, be too strongly emphasized that members cannot receive more for their bananas than the prices that those bananas realise in the markets of the world.

DISTRICT UNITS AND STANDING COMMITTEES.—The Directors from the inception of the Company have fully recognised the importance of creating local units which would enable proper contacts to be preserved between the Management and individual members. As the Jamaica Producers' Organizing Association, the successor of the Jamaica Producers' Association, is now functioning and by means of its District Associations affords machinery for the

working of local units, it was felt that these District Associations should be utilised. Should the Producers' Organizing Association at any time cease to function, documents have been prepared altering the constitution of the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association so as to provide for the existence of the necessary local units.

The Directors are satisfied that the creation and satisfactory working of these units will afford a practical demonstration of co-operative action and will be the cement which welds together the members of the Association. Through these units any information required by members can be supplied provided that this can be done without detriment to the interests of the Association.

The Directors have welcomed recent questions that have been put as they have been thus afforded an opportunity of furnishing information and removing misconceptions on various points. The Directors have used every possible means to keep down the operating costs to as low a figure as is compatible with efficiency, and are satisfied that the salaries paid to members of the staff are fair and reasonable. The Directors fully recognise that members should be kept informed about the affairs of their business. A well informed membership will provide the surest foundation for the prosperity and permanence of the Association.

The Directors express their appreciation of the continued loyalty of members and are satisfied that the Association with a continuance of the support that it has hitherto had will increase its usefulness and prove of immense advantage to members. They also wish to place on record their appreciation of the loyal services rendered by the staff during the year.

A. W. FARQUHARSON, Chairman.

G. F. MILNE, Acting Secretary.

The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd.

Balance Sheet as at 3rd January, 1931.

LIABILITIES.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
SHARE CAPITAL—		
Authorised:—240,000 Shares of 1d. each	1,000 0 0	
Issued:— 50,340 Shares of 1d. each fully paid		209 15 0
DEBENTURE LOAN—		
Authorised under Law 6 of 1928 at 5% per annum		200,000 0 0
LOANS—		
Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co. Ltd.	24,894 18 8	
Jamaica Fruit & Shipping Co. Ltd.	900 0 0	25,794 18 8
RESERVES—		
Special Reserves 1930 Contractors—		
Payments on account of Purchase of Direct Line Ships		10,232 1 4
Reserves for Debenture Redemption—		
1929 Contractors	14,205 8 0	
1930 Contractors	31,695 16 1	
Interest earned thereon ..	1,081 7 2	46,982 11 3
Reserves for Contingencies		
1929 Contractors	237 17 10	
1930 Contractors	604 16 4	842 14 2
SUNDRY CREDITORS—		
Miscellaneous	9,203 6 9	
Advances to Contractors authorised but unpaid at above date	7,655 10 3	16,858 17 0

Note:—There was at the date of the Balance Sheet a Contingent Liability amounting to £50,000 on joint and several guarantees with the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation in respect of the Nelson Mortgage on the ships of the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line, Ltd., and advances by Kaye.

The item of £50,000 represents the entire balance due on the purchase of the Direct Line ships and the amount owing to Mr. Kaye, for a half of which the Association is, between itself and the Di Georgio Fruit Corporation, responsible. These amounts will be completely paid off by the end of October 1931.

There were also contingent liabilities for £13,900 and £11,100, loaned to the Jamaica Banana Producers Steamship Co., Ltd. by the Jamaica Producers Marketing Co., Ltd. and the Jamaica Fruit & Shipping Co. Ltd., respectively.

£300,920 17 5

ASSETS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND		1,296 16 6
SUNDRY DEBTORS—		
Miscellaneous	12,851 6 8	
Amounts over-advanced to 1930 Contractors authorised to be re-collected ..	5,645 0 9	18,496 7 5
INVESTMENTS—		
Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co. Ltd.		
75,000 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost	75,000 0 0	
Jamaica Direct Fruit Line, Ltd.		
10,004 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost	10,004 0 0	
Advances against which 139,996 Shares of £1 each are to be issued	139,996 0 0	225,000 0 0
PROPERTY (less Depreciation)—		
Banana Sheds, Office Furniture and Fixtures, Wharf Fixtures, etc., etc.		2,350 3 7
DEBENTURE REDEMPTION FUND—		
Cash and Investments in hands of Island Treasurer		46,982 11 3
PRELIMINARY EXPENSES (written down)		6,794 18 8
		£300,920 17 5

We have examined the above Balance Sheet with the books, vouchers and documents of the Association, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Association's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Association.

(Sgd.) W. BOWMAN, Chartered Accountant.
(Sgd.) R. PARKINSON, Certified Accountant.
Auditors.

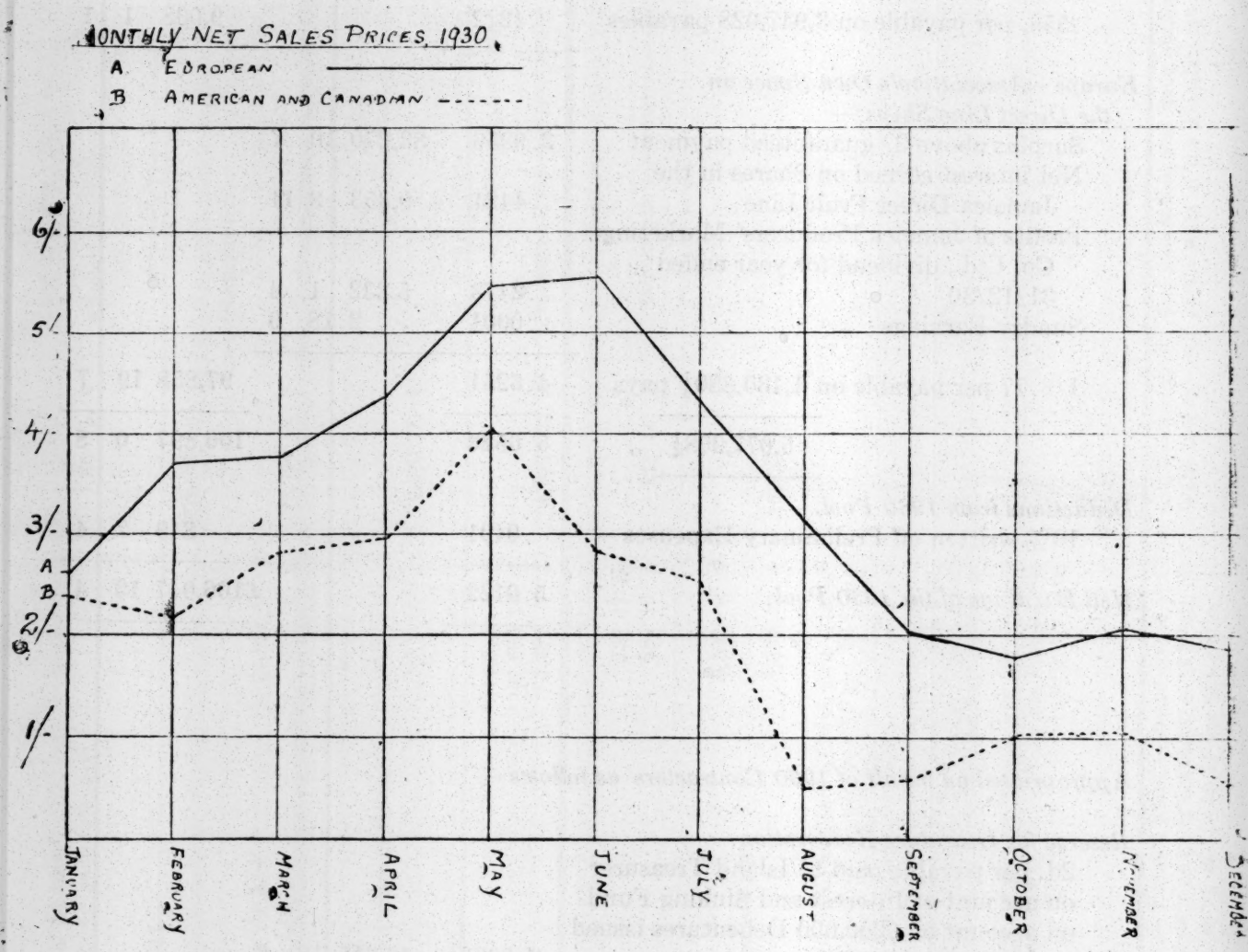
1930 POOL RESULTS.

EARNINGS OF 1930 POOL.

	Pence per Payable.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Payables marketed 5,077,908			
U.S.A. & Canadian Pool:			
Surplus above 50 cents guaranteed payment.			
Difference between 50 cents. guaranteed payment and 2/ paid Contractors	.4272	9,038 1 1	
.55d. per payable on 3,947,028 payables	.4272		9,038 1 1
Europe—Association's Own Space on the Direct Line Ships:—			
Surplus above 2/ guaranteed payment	3.9356	83,270 10 7	
Net interest earned on Shares in the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line	.4421	9,353 8 11	
Profits of Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co. Ltd., dividend for year ended 31/12/30	.2473	5,232 1 4	
Sundry Earnings	.0001	2 18 9	
1/8.77 per payable on 1,130,880¼ pays	4.6251		97,858 19 7
5,077,908¼ ,,	5.0523		106,897 0 8
Deductions from 1930 Pool.			
10% written off Preliminary Expenses	.0401		849 7 4
Nett Earnings of the 1930 Pool ..	5.0122		£106,047 13 4

Appropriated on behalf of 1930 Contractors as follows —

Reserve for Debenture Redemption— 2d. per payable paid to Island Treasurer on account of Interest and Sinking Fund on account of £200,000 Debentures issued under Law 6 of 1928	2.0000	42,315 18 0	
Special Reserve—being payments on account of purchase of Direct Line Ships	.4836	10,232 1 4	
Cash Advances Authorised	2.5000	52,894 17 8	
Balance undistributed— Reserved for Contingencies ..	.0286	604 16 4	
	5.0122	£106,047 13 4	



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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Dear Sir or Madam,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the FOURTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd., will be held at the Ward Theatre, Kingston, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon on Tuesday, 12th July, 1932.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following Agenda showing the business to be transacted.

1. Reading of Notice convening the Meeting.

2. Reading and confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting.

3. Presentation and adoption of Report and Balance Sheet to 2nd January, 1932.

4. Remuneration of Auditors, 1931.

5. Election of Directors:

   (The retiring Directors are Hon. T. J. Cawley and Hon. G. Seymour Seymour who are eligible for re-election).

6. Election of Auditors for 1932:

   (The retiring Auditors are Messrs. Parkinson and Bowman who are eligible for re-election).

7. Irrigation Pool.—The following resolutions will be submitted:—

   (a) IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that in lieu of accounting separately to growers of irrigated fruit for deliveries made by them during the year 1931 such contractors be paid for that year 3d. per count bunch in excess of the amount per count bunch payable to members of the general pool.

   (b) That the Association being satisfied that it is impracticable to keep separate accounts in respect of irrigated bananas handled by the Association for its members but that as such bananas now realise a sum in excess of the average return obtained from General Pool bananas IT IS HEREBY AGREED that no separate account for irrigated bananas be kept and that each year (when available from the funds of the Association) a sum in excess of the average return obtained for general pool bananas be determined by the Board of Directors and paid to contractors of the Association who deliver fruit from irrigated land; PROVIDED however that no such payment shall be made unless the general pool fruit for that year shall have realised at least 2s. 2d. per count bunch.

8. Resolution received from Contractor No. 3393.
   That the Directors of the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, at the earliest possible date after this annual meeting, take steps to place in the possession of its shareholders the reasons for, and the full effect of the new arrangement by which bananas of the United and Standard Fruit Companies are being conveyed to markets abroad in the ships of the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Ltd., and Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Coy Ltd.

9. Any other business that may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

All questions will be decided at the meeting by a show of hands but if a poll is demanded and if it cannot be held forthwith then the meeting shall fix a time when the poll will be taken and the question decided.

Members of this Association, being also members of the Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Limited, if unable to be present at the meeting can exercise their vote in accordance with Article 32 of the Articles of Association which reads:—

"The Members of this Company who are also members of any District Association of the Jamaica Producers' Association, Limited, (now Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Limited) may by votes made in accordance with the provisions of Article 26 hereof appoint a delegate to attend at any Ordinary or Extraordinary general meeting of this Company and such delegate shall be entitled to cast the votes which such members of this company would have been entitled to cast if personally present at any such meeting provided that if any of such member of such District Association shall be personally present at any such meeting he shall vote on his own account and his votes shall not be counted in the votes which the delegate shall cast."

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In order that we may make proper arrangements, kindly notify us if you will be present.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,

THE JAMAICA BANANA PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

E. C. JOYSEY,

Secretary.

Dated 2nd July, 1932.

FOR IDENTIFICATION PLEASE BRING WITH YOU TO THE MEETING YOUR 1932 PASS BOOK TOGETHER WITH THIS NOTICE.

Dear Sir or Madam:—

Your Directors have authorised the publication of the following Report and Balance Sheet at 3rd. January 1932, in advance of the General Meeting to be held on the 12th July, 1932, in order that all members may have an opportunity of considering these documents. It will be observed that the Pool Account is also attached for the information of Members.

Any questions that members wish to ask will be answered at or before the General Meeting but you are requested to give seven days' notice of any question so that your Directors can prepare the necessary information to be given in the reply. This will also save time at the meeting as more than one member may put forward the same question but in a different way.

Your Directors look forward with pleasure to seeing as many members as possible at the forthcoming General Meeting.

Yours truly,

E. C. JOYSEY, Secretary.

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

Your Directors beg to submit herewith their Fourth Annual Report which covers the operations of the Association from the 4th of January 1931 to the 2nd of January 1932.

At 31st December 1930 the Association had 10,407 members with 49,487 acres.
During the year 1931 contracts came into force with 891 new „ „ 3,607 „
and a further 525 contracts „ 1,775 acres in bananas were accepted and came into force on 1st April 1932,

making a total of 11,823 members with 54,869 acres in bananas.

During 1931 the Association marketed 7,137,496 stems for its members being 32% of the total output of the Island for the year as compared with 29% for 1930.

The following General Pool figures will prove interesting:—

1929.	% of Total Contractors	% of Total Acreage.	% of Total Payables.
From ¼ to 50 acres ..	98.9	66.3	52.3
Over 50 acres	1.1	33.7	47.7
	100.	100.	100.
1930.			
From ¼ to 50 acres ..	99.1	68.1	62.2
Over 50 acres	.9	31.9	37.8
	100.	100.	100.
1931.			
From ¼ to 50 acres.. ..	99.0	70.6	66.5
Over 50 acres	1.0	29.4	33.5
	100.	100.	100.

The improvement in the percentage of bananas delivered by contractors who have under 50 acres in cultivation has continued.

Debenture Redemption Fund.

The Sinking Fund for the redemption of the £200,000 debentures issued under Law 6 of 1928 has been increased during 1931 by approximately £25,000 in addition to which £5,000 debentures have been purchased and cancelled,

The following shows in round figures the position of this Fund.

Total deductions of 2d. per payable from Members to 2nd January 1932		£100,500
Less—Interest on Debentures to 1st January 1932		27,500
		£ 73,000
Add—Interest collected on Sinking Fund A/c. and gain on sale of investments		3,500
		£76,500
Deduct—Purchase of Debentures for cancellation		5,000
Sinking Fund as at 2nd January 1932		£71,500
Add—2d. Deductions from Members to 31st March, 1932 ..		9,700
Interest earned on Sinking Fund (estimated)		800
		£82,000
Deduct—Interest on Debentures, 1st January—1st April 1932 ..		2,400
		£79,600
Purchase of Debentures for cancellation		58,000
Approx. Balance to credit of Sinking Fund as at 4th April 1932 ..		£21,600
Debentures issued		£200,000
Less—Purchases as above to 2nd January 1932	£5,000	
„ „ to 4th April 1932	£58,000 ..	63,000
Debentures outstanding at 4th April 1932		£137,000

The £137,000 Debentures outstanding as shown above fall due for redemption on 1st April 1933 but, at the request of the Association, the Government showed their continued confidence in the Association by introducing and supporting a Law to postpone the redemption of £100,000 Debentures for five years, subject to earlier redemption from the 2d. per payable deductions from contractors.

It is anticipated, however, that if normal conditions continue, it will be possible to reduce the outstanding debentures to below £100,000 by 31st March 1933. This indicates that our members will have furnished in this way in the four years of our operations over £100,000 towards the capital of their organisation. Taking into account the conditions which have prevailed members may well be proud of this achievement.

With regard to the 1931 Pool Account, the shipments made to Great Britain and Europe in the Association's space in the Direct Line ships and by the s.s. "JAMAICA PIONEER" amounted to 2,143,914 stems out of a total of 7,137,496 stems handled by the Association. This represents 30 out of each 100 stems as against 20½ out of every 100 stems in 1930. The shipments to Great Britain and Europe, after payment of 2/- per payable to contractors, resulted in £85,471 being credited to the Pool Account.

In our last report, attention was drawn to the more favourable prices received from the English and European markets and to the policy of the Association in increasing its shipments to those markets. The operations of s.s. "JAMAICA PIONEER" proved very satisfactory and, in accordance with the forecast made in the last report, a second new steamer (the s.s. "JAMAICA PROGRESS") was ordered and is now in service.

Liabilities shown in the previous Balance Sheet to 3rd January 1931, of £13,900 and £11,100, making £25,000, were paid out of the earnings of the "Pioneer" during 1931.

The current Balance Sheet shows liabilities in connection with the purchase and operation of s.s. "JAMAICA PIONEER" of approximately £137,000. On the other hand your Directors are pleased to be able to report that all Mortgage and other advances in respect of the Association's half-share in the Direct Line ships have been entirely repaid.

The world-wide depression became more intense during 1931 and seriously affected the prices received for practically all commodities but bananas were not as badly affected as most other products of this Island. In other fruit producing countries the conditions of 1930 were largely repeated, that is, the prices obtainable were frequently insufficient to cover even the cost of reaping.

Whilst it is impossible to make any definite forecast, it is to be hoped that improvement in world business will soon make itself manifest but, meantime, members are again reminded that, with the restricted buying power of consumers under present conditions, it is most important that the high quality of our fruit should be steadfastly maintained so that the best possible prices may be realised.

From time to time discussions have taken place between the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation and the Association regarding questions and differences which arose under the various agreements and also with regard to the general question of the marketing of Association fruit in U.S.A. and Canada. These discussions have occasioned your Directors grave concern and, whilst no further general public announcement can be made at the moment, it is possible to say that in principle the former arrangements have been maintained without disadvantage to the Association up to this time.

Other discussions have made possible certain economies in the handling and shipping of bananas and effecting better mutual understandings in regard to local operations. The benefit to our members will, it is hoped, be reflected in the accounts for the current year, but at present no forecast is practicable.

In a further effort to provide members of the Association with information as to their business, arrangements were made to obtain space in the monthly magazine "The West Indian Critic and Review." Members are invited to comment on this experiment and on the articles published, thus putting the Directors in a position to decide whether the expenditure incurred is justified by the results.

The past year has been one of great difficulty and strain and the Directors have much pleasure in expressing their appreciation of the continued loyalty shown by the members of the Association. It is undoubtedly true that the operations of the Association have been of great advantage to the Island generally, but these operations could not have been maintained without the loyal support of the members, upon the continuance of which the Directors are depending.

The Directors again place on record their appreciation of the loyal services rendered by the outdoor and indoor members of the Staff during 1931.

A. C. WESTMORLAND, Vice-Chairman.
E. C. JOYSEY, Secretary.

The Jamaica Bananas Producers' Association, Ltd.

Balance Sheet as at 2nd January, 1932.

LIABILITIES.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
SHARE CAPITAL—		
Authorised:—240,000 Shares of 1d. each	1,000 0 0	
Issued:—55,472 Share s of 1d. each, fully paid		231 2 8
DEBENTURE LOAN—		
Authorised and Issued under Law 6 of 1928	200,000 0 0	
Less Redeemed	5,000 0 0	195,000 0 0
LOAN—		
Jamaica Producers Marketing Co., Ltd. For Preliminary Expenses		5,945 11 4
RESERVES—		
For Debenture Redemption—		
1929 Contractors	14,205 8 0	
1930 Contractors	31,695 16 1	
1931 Contractors	28,299 0 8	
Interest earned thereon	3,570 18 5	77,771 3 2
Special Reserves (Including Reserves for Contingencies)—		
1929 Contractors	119 15 11	
1930 Contractors	13,269 1 9	
1931 Contractors	40,762 6 1	54,151 3 9
SUNDRY CREDITORS—		
Advances to Contractors authorised but unpaid at above date (Final 1931) ..	27,422 15 10	
Miscellaneous	15,421 7 2	42,844 3 0
		£375,943 3 11

NOTE:—There were at the date of this balance sheet Contingent Liabilities as follows:—£117,650 to Lithgows, Ltd., (Mortgage on s/s "Jamaica Pioneer"); £19,545 0s. 4d. on Sundry Advances to Jamaica Banana Producers Steamship Co., Ltd., on account of s/s "Jamaica Pioneer"; £13,900 0s. 0d. on Drafts drawn by the Jamaica Producers Marketing Co., Ltd., and guaranteed by the Association.

ASSETS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
INVESTMENTS—		
Jamaica Producers Marketing Co., Ltd.		
75,000 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost	75,000 0 0	
Jamaica Direct Fruit Line, Ltd.		
10,004 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost	10,004 0 0	
Advances against which 139,996 Shares of £1 each are to be issued	139,996 0 0	
Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co., Ltd.		
100 Shares of £1 each, fully paid ..	100 0 0	225,100 0 0
PROPERTY—(Less Depreciation)—		
Banana Sheds, Office and Wharf Furniture and Fixtures, etc.		2,350 2 6
PRELIMINARY EXPENSES—(Written down value)—		5,945 11 4
DEBENTURE SINKING FUND—		
Cash and Investments in hands of Island Treasurer		71,557 2 3
SUNDRY DEBTORS—		70,059 11 2
CASH—In Bank and on hand		930 16 8
		£375,943 3 11

We have examined the above Balance Sheet, with the books, vouchers and documents of the Association, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Association's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Association.

(Sgd.) W. BOWMAN, Chartered Accountant.
(Sgd.) R. PARKINSON, Certified Accountant.
Auditors,

1931 POOL RESULTS.

	Pence Per Payable	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Payables handled 4,643,657¾			
EARNINGS ABOVE 2/- 1931 POOL.			
U. S. and Canadian Pool—			
Surplus above guaranteed payment	1.3339	25,810 6 11	
1.9633d. per. payable on 3,155,101½ Payables	1.3339		25,810 6 11
Europe—Association's own space on Direct Line Ships and s/s "Jamaica Pioneer".			
Surplus above guaranteed payment	3.9148	75,746 3 1	
Net Interest earned on Shares in Jamaica Direct Fruit Line, Ltd.	.5023	9,718 15 1	
Other Earnings	.0003	6 15 3	
1/1.7806 per. payable on 1,488,556¼ pays.	4.4174		85,471 13 5
4,643,657¾ ,,	5.7513		£111,282 0 4
Deductions from 1931 Pool			
10% written off Preliminary Expenses	.0439		849 7 4
Net Earnings 1931 Pool	5.7074		£110,432 13 0
Appropriated on behalf of 1931 Contractors— as follows:—			
Reserve for Debenture Redemption—			
2d. per payable paid to Island Treasurer on account of Interest and Sinking Fund on account of £200,000 Debentures issued under Law 6 of 1928	2.0000	38,697 3 0	
Special Reserves:—			
To Purchase Stock in Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co., Ltd.	.0051	100 0 0	
Towards Capital Payments s.s. "Jamaica Pioneer"	1.2921	25,000 0 0	
Payments on a/c of Purchase of Direct Line Ships	.6082	11,767 18 8	
Cash Advances Authorised	1.6227	31,397 16 5	
Balance Undistributed—			
Reserved for Contingencies	.1793	3,469 14 11	
	5.7074	£110,432 13 0	

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The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT 1932.

Your Directors have pleasure in submitting this Report on the operations of the Association during 1932.

MEMBERSHIP.—At 31st December 1931 the Association had 11,298 members with 53,094 acres in banana cultivation. 2768 new contracts covering 9,682¼ acres of bananas were accepted or came into force during 1932 making a total membership at the end of the year of 14,066 members with 62,776¼ acres in cultivation.

Applications for new contracts have continued during 1933 and for the five months to 31st May, 950 new contracts were accepted.

OUTPUT.—During 1932 the Association marketed 6,289,929 stems of fruit for its members being 31% of the total output of the Island for that year as compared with 32% in 1931 and 29% for 1930. The small decline in the Association's proportion of the total is due to the fact that the November 1932 storms did great damage in the Western and Central parishes where the Association is strongly represented.

DELIVERIES BY MEMBERS.—The following figures showing deliveries by General Pool Contractors will be of interest:—

1929	% of Total Contractors.	% of Total Acreage.	% of Total Payables.
From ¼ to 50 acres	98.9	66.3	52.3
Over 50 acres	1.1	33.7	47.7
	100.	100.	100.
1930.			
From ¼ to 50 acres	99.1	68.1	62.2
Over 50 acres	.9	31.9	37.8
	100.	100.	100.
1931.			
From ¼ to 50 acres	99.0	70.6	66.5
Over 50 acres	1.0	29.4	33.5
	100.	100.	100.
1932.			
From ¼ to 50 acres	99.1	74.0	64.9
Over 50 acres	.9	26.0	35.1
	100.	100.	100.

It will be observed that contractors with less than 50 acres in cultivation have now practically three-quarters of the lands under contract to the Association but the marked improvement in their 1931 deliveries has not been fully maintained.

DEBENTURE REDEMPTION FUND.—The following statement shows in round figures the position of this Fund as at 31st December 1932 and at 1st April 1933:—

Total Payments to Island Treasurer at 31st December 1932		£136,900	0 0
Less: Interest on Debentures to 31st December 1932 ..		34,300	0 0
		£102,600	0 0
Add: Interest collected on Redemption Fund A/c and gain on sale of investments		6,700	0 0
		£109,300	0 0
Deduct: Purchase of Debentures for cancellation ..		94,500	0 0
Sinking Fund as at 31st December 1932:		£14,800	0 0
Add: Payments to Island Treasurer to 31st March 1933 ..		1,600	0 0
Interest earned on Redemption Fund (estimated) ..		300	0 0
		£16,700	0 0
Deduct: Interest on Debentures, 1st January—1st April 1933		1,300	0 0
		£15,400	0 0
Purchase of Debentures for cancellation		5,500	0 0
Approx. Balance to credit of Redemption Fund as at 1st April, 1933.		£9,900	0 0
Debentures Issued		£200,000	0 0
Less: Redeemed as above to 31st December 1932	£94,500		
Redeemed as above to 1st April 1933	5,500	£100,000	0 0
Debentures outstanding at 1st April, 1933		£100,000	0 0

It will be observed that all the Debentures which fell due on 1st April 1933 were redeemed on or before that date. The balance of £9,900 which remained to the credit of the Redemption Fund with the further contributions of 2d. per payable will be utilised in paying the interest on and redeeming the £100,000 Debentures which remained outstanding at 1st April, 1933.

Reference to the Balance Sheet will show that the deductions for Capital purposes from the proceeds of contract bananas up to 31st December 1932 now total practically £184,000. Of this amount, £108,600 is in respect of redemption of the debentures guaranteed by the Jamaica Government and the balance of approximately £75,000 represents special capital payments charged against the Pool Account for 1930, 1931 and 1932.

1932 POOL ACCOUNT.—As will be seen by the attached account, the shipment of 1,926,605 11-12 payables to the United States of America and Canada gave a return of £77,024 16s. 11d. or 9½d. per payable in excess of 2/- per payable.

Against this, the 2,218,323 9-12 payables shipped to Great Britain and Europe realised £116,461 19s. 6d. or 1s. 0½d. per payable over and above the 2/- original payment to Contractors.

The purchase of the "JAMAICA PIONEER" and the "JAMAICA PROGRESS" has enabled a larger proportion of members' fruit to be shipped to Great Britain and Europe and, in 1932, 50½ stems out of every 100 stems were sent to those markets as against 30 stems in each hundred stems in 1931.

The policy of the Association in arranging for increased shipments to Great Britain has been justified by the favourable prices received. The American 1932 results were, of course beneficially affected by the rate of exchange but it is clear that reliance could not be placed

on the continuance of circumstances which, last year, made the Di Giorgio 50 cents guarantee worth 2s. 9½d. per payable. The equivalent figure for 1933 will obviously be much lower.

Negotiations are now in progress for the building of a third new ship for delivery in the Spring of 1934, which will allow of a still greater proportion of our members' fruit being shipped to Great Britain. This is also in accordance with the policy of providing new economical ships so as to bring the freight rate on bananas down to the lowest possible figure.

By arrangement with the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation, the Association and that Corporation joined in a charter of the S.S. "ERIN" (which still continues) and the successful operations of that vessel and the "PIONEER" and "PROGRESS" contributed very largely to the satisfactory nett prices realised for fruit sold in Great Britain and Europe.

During 1932, the British Government followed the example of the Canadian Government in the giving of a substantial preference on Empire-grown bananas. The English preference is worth £2 10/- per ton and has already had great effect in encouraging production here and Empire Trade in general. It is hardly necessary for your Directors to point out that the preference was given in order to benefit the producers of bananas and that this can be obtained only through membership of the Association.

The world-wide depression continued unabated during 1932 but it is felt by many that, at long last, the corner has been turned and that business in general is showing an improvement. It is sincerely hoped that this prediction proves to be true as the return of prosperity will greatly assist all engaged in agriculture by giving increased buying power to consumers in countries where our products are marketed. Bananas, as an important item of food, will share in the extended demand and prices should be obtained which will give the producer a fair return for his investment and labour.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your Directors have authorised the publication of the above Report and the Balance Sheet at 31st December 1932, in advance of the General Meeting to be held on the 26th July 1933, in order that all members may have an opportunity of considering these documents. It will be observed that the Pool Account is also attached for the information of Members.

Any questions that members wish to ask will be answered at or before the General Meeting but you are requested to give seven days' notice of any question so that your Directors can prepare the necessary information to be given in the reply. This will also save time at the meeting as more than one member may put forward the same question but in a different way.

Members are reminded that, if they wish to submit resolutions to the Annual General Meeting, they must give notice of such resolutions by posting or delivering a copy of such resolution to the Secretary of the Association as early as possible but not later than Saturday, 22nd. July, 1933.

Your Directors look forward with pleasure to seeing as many members as possible at the forthcoming General Meeting.

Yours truly,

E. C. JOYSEY,

Secretary.

For Identification please bring with you to the Meeting your 1933 Pass Book together with this notice.

Dear Sir or Madam,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Fifth ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd., will be held at the Ward Theatre, Kingston, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon on WEDNESDAY, 26th July, 1933.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following Agenda showing the business to be transacted.

1. Reading of Notice convening the Meeting.
2. Reading and confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting.
3. Presentation and adoption of Report and Balance Sheet to 31st December 1932.
4. Remuneration of Auditors, 1932.
5. Election of Directors:

   (The Retiring Directors are Messrs. F. M. Kerr-Jarrett and K. A. Robinson who are eligible for re-election).
6. Election of Auditors for 1933.

   (The Retiring Auditors are Messrs. Parkinson & Bowman who are eligible for re-election).
7. Resolutions sent in by Members.
8. Any other business that may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

All questions will be decided at the meeting by a show of hands but if a poll is demanded and if it cannot be held forthwith then the meeting shall fix a time when the poll will be taken and the question decided.

Members of this Association, being also members of the Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Limited, if unable to be present at the meeting can exercise their vote in accordance with Article 32 of the Articles of Association which reads:—

> "The Members of this Company who are also members of any District Association of the Jamaica Producers' Association, Limited, (now Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Limited) may by votes made in accordance with the provisions of Article 26 hereof appoint a delegate to attend at any Ordinary or Extraordinary general meeting of this Company and such delegate shall be entitled to cast the votes which such members of this Company would have been entitled to cast if personally present at any such meeting provided that if any of such members of such District Association shall be personally present at any such meeting he shall vote on his own account and his votes shall not be counted in the votes which the delegate shall cast."

Members are hereby reminded that, as they are Members of the Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Ltd., they can, as above set out, be represented by a delegate chosen by a District Association of the Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Ltd., but otherwise votes must be given personally except in the case of members absent from the Island who may vote by proxy.

In order that we may make proper arrangements, kindly notify us if you will be present.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,

THE JAMAICA BANANA PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION, LIMITED,

E. C. JOYSEY,
Secretary.

Dated 14th July 1933.

Notice has been given of the following Resolutions :

1. That taking account of the services of the Directors rendered to the Association from time to time without any financial consideration given them, be it resolved that to further ensure their loyal co-operation and interest, Directors be henceforth paid for the present at least their out-of-pocket expenses.

2. That with a desire to further stimulate and preserve the loyalty of the members of our Association, be it resolved that the Directors endeavour to further reduce the overhead expenses of the Association by a further consideration of the emoluments of employees and so create a better position for the members by way of dividends and a nucleus for the payment of Secretaries of the various Branch Associations.

3. That our Directors be very strongly urged to immediately put an end to the present policy whereby one person controls more than one Agency, this policy being distinctly unfair and opposed to the true spirit of co-operation.

4. That the Directors of the J.B.P.A. be instructed to so change the articles of association that henceforth no Director of this Association shall be employed as an agent or in any other capacity.

5. That our Directors be requested to discontinue any expenditure towards the monthly publication called the "CRITIC" and that the money thus used be henceforth used to increase dividends or bonus on our fruit.

6. That a committee be formed for the purpose of investigating the expenditure of the J. B. P. Assen. with a view to making such reductions as will result in increased payment for our fruit.

7. Whereas by having too many resolutions for the General Meeting the most important ones may be put so far down on the Agenda as to make it impossible for them to be discussed, Be it Resolved: that at the beginning of the meeting it be decided by vote the order in which Resolutions will be taken.

8. Whereas it is necessary to ensure the contentment of members and contractors that the business of the Association be known and in conformity with the contract , Section 3, Clause C, Be it Resolved: that quarterly statements be issued irrespective of whether a bonus is declared or not, such statements to show all transactions for said quarter together with accounts showing profit and loss, etc.

9. Whereas the principle involved in the proposed Bill to empower the Government to enquire into all co-operative undertakings, societies, and Associations, will tend to allay all fear and promote confidence and trust, be it resolved that the management be asked to make a public pronouncement in support of the proposed Bill.

10. In order to reduce expenses, be it resolved that all Agencies throughout the Island be made Salaried Agencies and that no one man be in charge of more than one Agency.

11. Whereas the wording of the Certificates pasted in each year's Pass Book is very vague and does not show interest or ownership in the ships and assets of the Association, be it resolved that the wording be so changed as to show interest and ownership, and be it further resolved that Script be issued in the sums of ten pounds or multiples of ten pounds to each member for the amounts deducted from each member's account.

12. Whereas the salary of the Manager of the Organizing Association is being paid by the Banana Association, be it resolved that he be asked to concentrate on the task of getting all District Associations in proper working order which will tend for the smoother running of the Association, the dissemination of information, and the happiness and contentment of members.

13. Whereas the issuing of "The West Indian Critic and Review" to members of the Association serves no useful purpose, and whereas the information given can be disseminated through the local Newspaper, the Agents, or District Associations, and whereas it is felt that the amount spent (£40 per month) is a waste and could be used to better advantage and with more satisfaction to the members in increasing the bonus on fruit, Be it resolved that the management be asked to discontinue contributing to this magazine.

14. That Whereas since January 1933 no monthly nor quarterly payments of dividends have been made to contractors, and no explanation has been received in regard to these payments, and that this in part is due to the dissatisfaction on the part of many contractors, be it resolved that the Secretary of the District Associations be kept regularly informed from Head Office of the payment *or* non-payment of monthly and quarterly dividends.

15. Be it resolved that no local Agents, Tally-Clerks, nor Selectors be allowed to select their own fruit.

16. From the fact that the contractors of this and other District Associations found it so very difficult to obtain financial assistance to resuscitate their banana cultivations destroyed by the November storm of 1932:—Be it resolved that the Directors of the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association form a fund from which loans can be made to its members when required; that is, by deducting from the weekly supplies of those members who wish to take advantage of the scheme, one penny per count bunch.

17. That to facilitate the contractors who found it very difficult and expensive to go to the office at Spaldings to receive their pay, the Borobridge pay office be made a permanent one.

18. That the informations now given to the contractors of this Association through "The West Indian Critic and Review" do not reach every one. That this means of giving information be discontinued, and that a Periodical be printed by the Parent Association monthly or quarterly, and be sent to each contractor through the post.

19. That the contractors of this Association are not selling their bananas to the J. B. P. Association, the Management is selling it for them; therefore, the word "buying" in the circulars sent out to contractors be changed, and the word "taking" substituted.

20. That our "Point of Delivery"—Kendal—be made a receiving point; and that our bananas—as at present done—be checked locally.

21. That from and after this Annual Meeting all employments in the Association be given to members of the Association, their sons and daughters who are capable of doing the work.

22. That it is very unfair to our Jamaicans who are able to do the work, for Jamaicans to combine to buy ships to give employment to outsiders. That at least fifty per cent of Jamaicans should be given employment on our ships.

23. That in our opinion the commission agents of the J. B. P. Assen. have but very little to do, and for the service they are giving, Twelve shillings and Sixpence (12/6d). per hundred counts is quite feasible for their pay.

24. That Kingston should not be the only centre for holding the Annual Meetings, and if it be found impossible to hold the same at other centres, 50 per cent of the out-of-pocket expenses of the members who attend should be paid out of the funds of the Association.

25. That when the funds allow of the same, dividend should be paid quarterly instead of monthly.

26. That this meeting of the Contractors of the J.B.P.A. is convinced of the immorality of the principle of employing directors as purchasing agents of the Association and directs that immediate steps be taken by the Directorate to amend Article 47 of the Memorandum of the Association in so far as this Article justifies the employment of directors in the position of buying agents.

27. That a Committee be formed at this meeting for the purpose of investigating the expenditure of the J. B. P. Assn., with a view to making such reductions as will result in increased payment for Contractors' fruit and that the members of this Committee shall be named by us contractors.

28. That this meeting most strongly protests against the present policy whereby certain individuals are given the agencies of several stations or centres of supply, to the prejudice of many deserving people and urgently calls on our directors to end this undesirable condition without delay.

29. That this meeting approves of the action of the Directors in arranging for the collection from Contractors of Pass Books after the close of each calendar year.

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The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd

Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1932.

LIABILITIES—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
SHARE CAPITAL—		
Authorised:—240,000 Shares of 1d. each	1,000 0 0	
Issued:—63,879 Shares of 1d. each ..		266 3 3
DEBENTURES—		
Authorised and Issued under Law 6 of 1928		
400 Debentures of £500 each ..	200,000 0 0	
Less:—189 Debentures Redeemed ..	94,500 0 0	105,500 0 0
LOAN—		
Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co. Ltd., loan for Preliminary Expenses ..		5,096 4 0
SUNDRY CREDITORS		22,602 6 6
RESERVES:—		
For Debenture Redemption—		
1929 Contractors £14,205 8 0		
1930 Contractors 31,695 16 1		
1931 Contractors 28,299 0 8		
1932 Contractors 27,687 15 6		
Interest & Profits on Investments 6,710 14 10	108,598 15 1	
Deductions from Pool Account		
1930 Contractors 10,232 1 4		
1931 Contractors 36,867 18 8		
1932 Contractors 28,000 0 0	75,100 0 0	183,698 15 1
SPECIFIC RESERVES		26,661 12 11
PROVISION FOR ADDITIONAL ADVANCES TO CONTRACTORS Declared subsequent to 31st December 1932. (Bringing total General Pool Cash payments to 7d. per payable.)		59,191 18 8
		£403,017 0 5

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

NOTE:

There were at 31st December 1932 Contingent Liabilities on amounts owing by the Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co., Ltd., as follows:—

LITHGOWS LTD.— Mortgage a/c. s/s "Jamaica Pioneer"	£97,382 15 6
Mortgage a/c. s/s "Jamaica Progress"	106,561 3 10
	£203,943 19 4
COLONIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND—	
Loan towards construction s/s "Jamaica Progress" ..	50,000 0 0
	£253,943 19 4

ASSETS.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
INVESTMENTS—		
Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co., Ltd.		
75,000 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost		75,000 0 0
Jamaica Direct Fruit Line, Ltd.		
10,004 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost	10,004 0 0	
Advances against which shares are to be issued	131,977 14 5	141,981 14 5
Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co., Ltd.		
100 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost	100 0 0	
Capital Advances	55,699 4 0	55,799 4 0
		£272,780 18 5
CASH IN BANK AND IN HAND—		
Barclay's Bank (D.C.&O.) Current A/c.	2,066 4 5	
Barclay's Bank (D.C.&O.) Deposit A/c.	30,265 3 2	
Cash in Office	39 12 7	32,371 0 2
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		67,463 13 11
FURNITURE, FIXTURES, STATIONERY, BANANA SHEDS, &c. (Cost Less Depreciation)		2,816 7 0
DEFERRED CHARGES AND PREPAID EXPENSES		7,650 6 3
DEBENTURE REDEMPTION FUND		
Deposits with Island Treasurer ..		14,838 10 8
PRELIMINARY EXPENSES—		
(Written Down)		5,096 4 0
		£403,017 0 5

We have examined the above Balance Sheet with the books, vouchers and documents of the Association, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Association's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Association.

(Sgd.) W. BOWMAN, Chartered Accountant
(Sgd.) R. PARKINSON, Certified Accountant.
Auditors.

1932 POOL RESULTS.

	Pence Per Payable	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Payables handled 4,195,178 2-12.			
EARNINGS ABOVE 2/- 1932 POOL.			
U.S. & Canadian Pool.			
Surplus above guaranteed payment 9.595d. per payable on 1,926,605 11-12 payables.	4.406		£77,024 16 11
Europe—Association's space on Jointly Operated Ships.			
Surplus above guaranteed payment	6.050	105,747 16 3	
Net Interest earned on investment in Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Ltd., etc.	.613	10,714 3 3	
1/0.600 per payable on 2,218,323 8/12 Payables	6.663		116,461 19 6
4,144,929 8/12 Payables	11.069		£193,486 16 5
Deductions—			
10% Written Off Preliminary Expenses	.049	849 7 4	
Net Loss on Excess Fruit not Shipped	.048	844 12 11	1,694 0 3
50,248 6/12 Payables			
Net Earnings 1932 Pool 4,195,178 2/12 Payables	10.972		£191,792 16 2
Appropriated on behalf of 1932 Contractors— as follows:—			
2d. per payable deducted to cover Interest and Sinking Fund on Debentures issued under Law 6 of 1928	2.000		£34,959 16 4
Special Reserves—			
On Account Capital Payments 1932 "Ja. Pioneer" & "Ja. Progress"	1.602		28,000 0 0
Additional Advances Authorised	7.000		122,359 7 3
Extra Payment on Irrigated Fruit	.140		2,460 11 10
Balance Undistributed—			
Reserved for Contingencies	.230		4,013 0 9
	10.972		£191,792 16 2

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The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd.

Contract No. .....

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For Identification please bring with you to the Meeting your 1934 Pass Book together with this notice.

Dear Sir or Madam,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Sixth ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd., will be held at the **Ward Theatre**, Kingston, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon on THURSDAY, 23rd August, 1934.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following Agenda showing the **business to be transacted.**

1. Reading of Notice convening the Meeting.
2. Reading and confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General **Meeting.**
3. Presentation and adoption of Report and Balance Sheet to 30th **December 1933.**
4. Remuneration of Auditors, 1933.
5. Election of Directors:

   (The Retiring Directors are Messrs. J. M. Nethersole and A. B. Lowe who are eligible for re-election).
6. Election of Auditors for 1934.

   (The Retiring Auditors are Messrs. R. Parkinson and W. Bowman who are eligible for re-election).
7. Resolutions sent in by Members.
8. Any other business that may be transacted at an Ordinary General **Meeting.**

All questions will be decided at the meeting by a show of hands but if a **poll is demanded** and if it cannot be held forthwith then the meeting shall fix a time when **the poll will be** taken and the question decided.

Members of this Association, being also members of the Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Limited, if unable to be present at the meeting can exercise their vote in accordance with Article 32 of the Articles of Association which reads:—

"The Members of this Company who are also members of any District Association of the Jamaica Producers' Association, Limited, (now Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Limited) may by votes made in accordance with the provisions of Article 26 hereof appoint a delegate to attend at any Ordinary or Extraordinary general meeting of this Company and such delegate shall be entitled to cast the votes which such members of this Company would have been entitled to cast if personally present at any such meeting provided that if any of such members of such District Association shall be

personally present at any such meeting he shall vote on his own account and his votes shall not be counted in the votes which the delegate shall cast."

Members are hereby reminded that, as they are Members of the Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Ltd., they can, as above set out, be represented by a delegate chosen by a District Association of the Jamaica Producers' Organising Association, Ltd., but otherwise votes must be given personally except in the case of members absent from the Island who may vote by proxy.

In order that proper arrangements may be made, kindly advise whether you will be present.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,

THE JAMAICA BANANA PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION, LIMITED,

E. C. JOYSEY,

Secretary.

Dated 8th August 1934.

8th August, 1934.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your Directors have authorised the publication of the following Report and the Balance Sheet at 30th December 1933, in advance of the General Meeting to be held on the 23rd August, 1934, in order that all members may have an opportunity of considering these documents. It will be observed that the Pool Account is also attached for the information of Members.

Any questions that members wish to ask will be answered at or before the General Meeting but you are requested to give seven days' notice of any question so that your Directors can prepare the necessary information to be given in the reply. This will also save time at the meeting as more than one member may put forward the same question but in a different way.

Members are reminded that, if they wish to submit resolutions to the Annual General Meeting, they must give notice of such resolutions by posting or delivering a copy of such resolution to the Secretary of the Association as early as possible but not later than Saturday, 18th August, 1934.

Your Directors look forward with pleasure to seeing as many members as possible at the forthcoming General Meeting.

Yours truly,

E. C. JOYSEY,

Secretary.

DIRECTORS' REPORT 1933.

Your Directors beg to submit the following Report on the Operations of the Association during 1933:

MEMBERSHIP.—At 31st December 1932, the Association had 14,066 members with 62,776¼ acres in banana cultivation. 1,272 new contracts covering 3,784½ acres of bananas were accepted or came into force during 1933 making a total membership at the end of the year of 15,338 members with 66,560¾ acres in cultivation.

OUTPUT.—During 1933 the Association marketed 2,784,082 stems of bananas for its members being 27% of the total output of the Island for the year as compared with 31% in 1932, 32% in 1931 and 29% in 1930. The decline in the Association's proportion of the total is mainly due to the fact that the hurricanes of 1932 and 1933 did heavy damage in the central and western parishes where the Association is strongly represented.

Deliveries By Members.—The following figures showing deliveries for the years 1931, 1932, and 1933 will be of interest:—

	% of Total Contractors.	% of Total Acreage.	% of Total Payables.
1931.			
From ¼ to 50 acres	99.0	70.6	66.5
Over 50 acres	1.0	29.4	33.5
	100.	100.	100.
1932.			
From ¼ to 50 acres	99.1	74.0	64.9
Over 50 acres	.9	26.0	35.1
	100.	100.	100.
1933.			
From ¼ to 50 acres	99.2	74.2	51.5
Over 50 acres	.8	25.8	48.5
	100.	100.	100.

Debenture Redemption Fund.—The following statement shows in round figures the position of this fund as at 31st December 1933, and at 1st April 1934:—

Total payments to Island Treasurer at 31st December 1933		£150,200
Less: Interest on Debentures to 31st December 1933		39,300
		£110,900
Add: Interest collected on Redemption Fund A/C and gain on sale of investments		7,200
		£118,100
Deduct: Purchase of Debentures for cancellation		105,000
Sinking Fund as at 31st December 1933:		£13,100
Add: Payments to Island Treasurer to 31st March 1934		2,600
		£15,700
Deduct: Interest on Debentures 1st January-1st April 1934		1,000
		£14,700
Purchase of Debentures for cancellation		11,500
Approx. Balance to Credit of Debenture Fund as at 1st April 1934		3,200
Debentures issued		£200,000
Less: Redeemed as above to 31st December 1933	£105,000	
Redeemed as above to 1st April 1934	11,500	116,500
Debentures outstanding at 1st April 1934		£83,500

1933 Results.—The Directors share with members their disappointment with regard to 1933 operations. The past year was exceedingly difficult not only from the agricultural but also from the marketing point of view. The adverse factors which brought about the unsatisfactory results may be briefly summarised as follows:—

1. The quantity of fruit available to the Association was not sufficient to provide full cargoes for the Association's space on the English ships and therefore the cost of operation per payable bunch was much higher than under normal conditions. Actually, shipments in the Associations space in 1933 were less than one-half of the 1932 quantity.

2. Owing to the favourable rate of exchange in 1932, the bananas shipped to U.S.A. and Canada although realising only the guaranteed price of 50 cents United States Currency, were worth 2/9½d. per payable in sterling. In 1933 bananas shipped to those markets realised the same 50 cents but the sterling proceeds amounted to 2/4½d. per payable only.

3. The bananas shipped to Great Britain and Europe in December 1933, were landed during a period of exceptionally cold weather when there was little or no demand for fruit and these cargoes were realised at a very low price.

MARKET PRICES.—The Directors recognise that a great deal of dissatisfaction has been created by the difference between the returns obtained by members of the Association and the prices paid in Jamaica by the buying Companies. Attention has previously been called to the fact that the proper comparison is between the results obtained by the Association and the prices paid to growers in other banana producing countries.

As most of our members are already aware, banana growing is now being encouraged in other British West Indian Islands, notably Trinidad, St. Lucia and Dominica. The fruit grown in those Islands obtains the same preferential treatment in the markets of Canada and Great Britain as bananas grown in Jamaica and, for all practical purposes, the distances from the markets are equal. Therefore it is fair to compare the prices obtained by the Trinidad grower with those obtained by the members of this Association. In the first place, six hand stems are freely accepted in Jamaica, whereas in Trinidad they are only accepted when the purchasers so desire or, in other words, when favourable market conditions exist. Secondly, the maximum amount which the Trinidad grower can receive per payable is 2/1d. delivered at the only shipping port specified in the contract, that is, Port of Spain (expenses incurred in unloading banana trucks have to be borne by the grower) but, in the case of bananas grown in the interior and delivered at receiving stations or railway stations, the maximum which the grower can receive varies from 1/4d. to 2/- per payable according to the distance from the shipping port, etc., as the grower has to bear the handling expenses and the cost of transportation to the shipping port.

From the above it will be seen that the largest amount which the most favourably situated Trinidad grower can secure is practically equal to the minimum payment of 2/- per payable guaranteed to members of the Association. From the commencement of its operations to 31st December 1933 (during which period there has been an unprecedented world-wide depression) the Association has secured for its members an average realization of over 2/7d. per payable of which over 2/4d. per payable has been paid in cash.

As will be seen by the Balance Sheet attached, members now have over £192,000 of their own money invested in the steamships, etc., used in their own business and, so long as these facilities exist, the Jamaica grower is protected against the low prices which will inevitably follow the discontinuance of competition. Many members of the Association must have a clear recollection of conditions which existed in Jamaica prior to the formation of the Association.

STEAMSHIPS.—In furtherance of the policy of providing new, fast, and economical ships so as to reduce the freight rate on bananas shipped to Europe and Great Britain to the lowest possible figure, and to deliver them in first class condition the new s.s. "Jamaica Producer" has been built and put into service. This vessel has already made its first round trip with most satisfactory results. The arrangement with the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation under which the Association uses part of the space on the s.s. "Erin" and the Corporation uses part of the space on the s.s. "Jamaica Pioneer," "Jamaica Progress" and "Jamaica Producer" still continues.

As it appears that there is still some misunderstanding with regard to the ownership of the vessels belonging to the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Ltd., and the Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co., Ltd., the Directors take the opportunity of reprinting the Opinion of Mr. N. W. Manley, K.C., as an appendix to this Report.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE DI GIORGIO FRUIT CORPORATION.—From the commencement of operations with the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation, differences of opinion arose as to the liability of the Corporation for various items of expenditure, the apportionment of overhead expenses, the rate of exchange at which payments in United States Currency were to be made in Jamaica, etc. These matters were discussed from time to time without finality being arrived at but, as the result of conferences in 1934, a satisfactory compromise was reached. All money claims up to 31/5/34 have been adjusted without any payment by either party to the other—each party's claims having been set off against those made by the other party thus arriving at a complete settlement of both sets of claims.

In advising members of these negotiations, the Directors call particular attention to the

fact that an agreement has not yet been reached on one important point and it is therefore impossible at this time to discuss this question fully.

Members are aware that the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation, agreed to purchase all the bananas produced by members of the Association over and above those required by the Association for shipment to Great Britain and Europe and, under the Agreement, the Association makes annual estimates of the quantities to be shipped each month to the various markets. In March 1934, the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation notified the Association that they reserved the right to give seven days' notice to refuse to accept under the contract any bananas which were included in the estimate for Great Britain and Europe but which were not shipped to those markets.

It will be seen from the above that the Association might suffer very serious losses in connection with fruit delivered by members during any interval between the expiration of the seven days' notice and the completion of new transport and marketing arrangements. Your Directors were therefore compelled to take such action as would best protect the interests of members and arrangements have now been completed for shipments to be made to New York and New Orleans. In this connection it has been necessary to undertake new obligations in regard to transportation but, provided the Association continues to receive loyal support, these obligations will be easily met and, as a matter of fact, they are small in comparison with those undertaken in connection with the marketing of fruit on the Association's own account in Great Britain and Europe. It has already been stated that it is undesirable to give further particulars at this time but members may be assured that the Directors and the legal advisors of the Association are continuing to give their earnest consideration to these problems so that the most favourable arrangements may be made.

In conclusion, your Directors are pleased to report that the results of the first six months of 1934 are encouraging although marketing conditions, particularly in Europe, are not as good as could be wished for. Owing to financial restrictions, the sale of bananas in Germany has been materially reduced and, by reason of the Quota System, sales in France have been severely restricted. Prices in the English markets have been much lower than is usually the case in the Spring and early Summer months and, at the time of writing, the English price is £17. 10/- per ton or more than £4: per ton lower than the usual price for the month of July; this reduction to £17. 10/- per ton was made on 9th July 1934 and is equal to about 2/- per payable. This loss can be reduced if members deliver fuller fruit of first class quality and weight.

It is to be regretted that this low price should occur when the Jamaica crop is showing the first signs of recovery from the effects of the hurricanes in 1932 and 1933 but the Directors trust that market conditions will soon improve so as to allow producers to receive a fair return for their fruit.

OWNERSHIP OF VESSELS.
OPINION OF MR. N. W. MANLEY, K.C.

"I have been asked to state what the legal position is regarding the ownership of and beneficial interest in the ships of the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association Ltd., used in the English and European trade. I have read the Articles of Association of the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association Ltd. and the growers' contract with the Association and I am familiar with the relevant laws and with the history of the matter from the inception of the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association Ltd.

"My attention has also been directed to an article that appeared in the "Gleaner" on the 2nd of August, 1933, and to statements that were made to the Annual Meeting of the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association Ltd. on Wednesday, July the 26th, 1933.

"The position in law is really very simple and the article of the 2nd of August to which I have been referred is singularly uninformed and appears to be based on a misunderstanding of the ordinary legal principles applicable to Companies.

"Every company is in Law a person capable of holding property and in fact normally the legal ownership of all the assets of a Company are vested in the Company itself. It is common to find that some of the assets are held by subsidiary Companies in which case all the shares of that Company are held by and belong to the parent Company.

"The shareholders of a Company are not in Law the legal owners of the property of the Company. They are entitled to have all the property of the Company administered for their benefit and if the Company is wound up and ceases to exist all the assets of the Company have to be sold and the proceeds divided among the shareholders.

"In a popular sense then, the beneficial interest in all the assets of the Company belong to the Shareholders since those assets are and can only be used for the benefit of the shareholders and if those assets are sold the monies received on such sale must be kept by the Company to be used for the benefit of its shareholders, and if the Company is wound up the shareholders get divided among them all the surplus proceeds of all the property of the Company.

"The position of the growers, members of and shareholders in the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association and their interest in the ships of the Association is based upon these simple considerations.

"The ships of the Association were purchased by monies borrowed on debentures guaranteed by the Government of Jamaica and the balance of purchase money was secured by mortgages of the ships. The legal title to the original four ships is in the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Ltd. and one-half of the shares of the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Ltd. are held by the Association, the other half being held by DiGiorgio Fruit Corporation, who provided one-half of the capital of that Company. In the case of ships subsequently purchased each one is held on behalf of the Association by the Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Company Ltd., all the shares of which are owned by the Association. These shares held by the Association both in the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Ltd., and the Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co., Ltd., represent the Association's interest in the ships and these shares belong to the Association and the beneficial interest in them belongs to the members of the Association in the manner above explained.

"The borrowed monies are in part being paid back by deductions out of fruit delivered by growers. As soon as the ships are fully paid for, the growers who will in part have paid for these ships will be entitled under Clause 13 to have their respective contributions determined and to receive interest thereon and an annual amount in repayment of the total sum due. The necessary money will be obtained by freight to be charged by the ships. This provision works justice between the original members of the Association and those who may subsequently join by providing that those who bore the burden of originally providing the money for purchasing the ships will get a return of that money.

"So long as the Producers' Association continues its operation these ships, and if they are sold, the money that is obtained, and any ship which replaces them, will continue to be the property of the Association held by the subsidiary Companies such as the Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co., Ltd., on behalf of the Association. Each shareholder will so long as the Association lasts be entitled to have those ships used for the business of the members of the Association. If the Association is wound up all the members past and present will share in the proceeds of the ships available for distribution according to the amount of bananas they have marketed through the Association. To this extent the Association differs from an ordinary Company in that the real interest of its members depends on the amount of fruit delivered and not on the actual number of shares held. In view of the fact that all the property of the Company, including its ships, is paid for out of the proceeds of the sale of fruit this is only right and fair as between all the growers.

"To sum up the whole matter the entire real beneficial interest in the ships belongs to all the members of the Association past and present according to their transactions in fruit with the Association and the Association hold those ships as legal owners in exactly the same way as any other Company holds its property for use for and on behalf of and for the benefit of its shareholders.

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The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd.

Balance Sheet as at 30th December, 1933.

LIABILITIES.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Share Capital:		
Authorised:—240,000 Shares of 1d. each	1,000 0 0	
Issued:—67,750 Shares of 1d each		282 5 10
Debentures:		
Authorised and Issued under Law 6 of 1928		
400 Debentures of £500 each	200,000 0 0	
Less: 210 Debentures Redeemed	105,000 0 0	95,000 0 0
Loan:		
Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co., Ltd.		
Loan for Preliminary Expenses		4,246 16 8
Sundry Creditors:		23,112 7 10
Reserves:		
For Debenture Redemption—		
1929 Contractors	14,205 8 0	
1930 „	31,695 16 1	
1931 „	28,299 0 8	
1932 „	27,687 15 6	
1933 „	8,132 4 3	
Interest and Profit on Investment	7,197 3 9	
	117,217 8 3	
Deductions from Pool Accounts—		
1930 Contractors £10,232 1 4		
1931 „ 36,867 18 8		
1932 „ 28,000 0 0	75,100 0 0	192,317 8 3
Specific Reserves		25,734 6 11
		340,693 5 6

ASSETS.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Investments:		
Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co., Ltd., 75,000 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost		75,000 0 0
Jamaica Direct Fruit Line, Ltd.		
10,004 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost ..	10,004 0 0	
Advances against which shares are to be issued	114,194 5 10	124,198 5 10
Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co., Ltd.		
100 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost	100 0 0	
Capital Advances	60,003 3 3	60,103 3 3
		£259,301 9 1
Cash in Bank and in Hand:		
Barclay's Bank (D.C. & O.) Current Account	3,405 17 2	
Barclay's Bank (D.C. & O.) Deposit Account	8,029 14 8	
Cash in Office	41 14 8	11,477 6 6
Accounts Receivable		42,630 13 0
Furniture, Fixtures, Stationery, Etc. .... (At cost less Depreciation)		2,927 14 4
Deferred Charges and Prepaid Expenses		7,048 5 1
Debenture Redemption Fund:		
Deposits with Island Treasurer		13,061 0 10
Preliminary Expenses:		
Written down		4,246 16 8
		340,693 5 6

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES.

Note—There were at 30th December, 1933 Contingent Liabilities on amounts owing by the Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co., Ltd., as follows:—

Lithgows Ltd. Mortgage Acc. s.s. "Jamaica Pioneer"	£ 93,668 6 9	
Mortgage Acc. s.s. "Jamaica Progress"	102,067 17 3	
	195,736 4 0	
Colonial Development Fund:		
Loan towards construction s.s. "Jamaica Progress"	45,835 9 1	
	£241,571 13 1	

We have examined the above Balance Sheet with the books, vouchers and documents of the Association, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Association's affairs according to the best of our information and the explantions given to us and as shown by the books of the Association.

(Sgd). W. Bowman, *Chartered Accountant.*
(Sgd). R. Parkinson, *Certified Accountant.*

1933 POOL RESULTS.

EARNINGS OVER 2/- PER PAYABLE.

	Pence Per Payable	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
U.S. & Canadian Pool.			
Surplus over guaranteed payment (4.24d. on 592,358 5/24 Payables)	1.59		10,573 4 1
Europe—Association's space on Jointly Operated Ships.			
Surplus over guaranteed payment	1.85	12,201 1 2	
Net Interest earned on investment in Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Ltd.	1.41	9,291 0 5	
(5.19d. on 994,124 Payables)	3.26		21,492 1 7
	4.85		£32,065 5 8
Deductions—			
10% Written Off Preliminary Expenses	.13	849 7 4	
Loss on 5-Hands shipped to Canada 1,143 18/24 Payables	.01	124 19 4	
	.14		974 6 8
Net Earnings— 1,587,625 23/24 Payables	4.71		£31,090 19 0
Balance—			
Reserve for Contingencies			40 3 10
			£31,131 2 10
Appropriated on behalf of 1933 Contractors as follows:—			
2d. per payable deducted to cover Interest and Sinking Fund on Debentures issued under Law 6 of 1928	2.00		13,230 4 4
Additional Advance Authorised	2.50		16,537 10 9
Extra Payment on Irrigated Fruit	.21		1,363 7 9
	4.71		£31,131 2 10

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The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd.

Contract No.....

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For Identification please bring with you to the Meeting your 1935 Pass Book together with this notice.

Dear Sir or Madam,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the SEVENTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd., will be held at the Ward Theatre, Kingston, at 10.30 o'clock A.M. on Thursday, 28th November, 1935.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following Agenda showing the business to be transacted.

1. Reading of Notice convening the meeting.
2. Reading and confirmation of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting.
3. Presentation and adoption of Report and Balance Sheet to 29th December, 1934, and Auditors' Report.
4. Remuneration of Auditors, 1934.
5. Election of Directors:

   (The Directors retiring by rotation are Mr. T. J. Cawley and Rev. H. Ward who are eligible for re-election).

   Members will be asked to appoint a Director to fill the vacancy due to the death of Mr. J. M. Nethersole.
6. Election of Auditors for 1935.

   (The retiring Auditors are Messrs. Bowman and Parkinson who are eligible for re-election).
7. His Majesty's Silver Jubilee Memorial.

   In response to the appeal made by Lady Denham, the following resolution will be submitted:—

   > "That this meeting authorises the Directors to pay, out of the funds of the Association, the sum of £ as a subscription towards the proposed Anti-Tuberculosis Sanatorium."

   and, if the above resolution is approved of, the Meeting will then be asked to fix the amount of the subscription to be given.

8. Investigations by Department of Agriculture.

The Director of Agriculture has pointed out the urgent necessity for investigations to be made in connection with the fertilization and manuring of bananas and it is suggested that the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association Ltd., should make a contribution of £200 p.a. for three years towards the estimated cost (£800 p.a.) of such enquiry, the balance being contributed by the Standard and United Fruit Companies. The Directors are of the opinion that these investigations should be undertaken and the following resolution will be submitted to the Meeting:—

"This meeting authorises the Directors to pay, out of the funds of the Association, the sum of £200 p.a., for three years towards the cost of the investigations to be made by the Department of Agriculture into the fertilization and manuring of bananas."

9. Resolutions sent in by Members.

10. Any other business that may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

All questions will be decided in the first instance by a show of hands but if a poll is demanded it will be taken in accordance with Article 27 of the Articles of Association.

In order that we may make proper arrangements, kindly notify us if you will be present.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,

THE JAMAICA BANANA PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION, LTD.,

E. C. JOYSEY,

Secretary.

Dated 2nd November, 1935.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your Directors have authorised the publication of the following Report and Balance Sheet to 29th December, 1934, and the Pool Account for 1934 is also attached for the information of members.

Any questions that members wish to ask will be answered at or before the General Meeting to be held on 23th November, 1935 but you are requested to give at least seven days' notice of any question so that your Directors can prepare the necessary information to be given in the reply. This will also save time at the Meeting as more than one member may put forward the same question but in a different way.

Members are reminded that if they wish to submit resolutions these must be received not later than Monday the 18th November 1935, so that they may be included in the Agenda for the Meeting.

Your Directors look forward with pleasure to seeing as many Members as possible at the forthcoming General Meeting.

Yours truly,

E. C. JOYSEY,

Secretary.

DIRECTORS' REPORT, 1934.

Your Directors beg to submit the following report of the operations of the Association during 1934.

MEMBERSHIP:—At 31st December 1933 the Association had 15,338 members with 66,560¾ acres in banana cultivation. 208 new contracts covering 654½ acres of bananas were accepted or came into force during 1934 making a total membership at the end of the year of 15,546 members with 67,215¼ acres in cultivation.

OUTPUT:—During 1934 the Association handled 3,220,961 stems of bananas for its members being 19.6% of the total shipments from the Island for the year as compared with 27.0% in 1933, 31.0% in 1932, 32.1% in 1931 and 29.4% in 1930. The Directors very much regret to report the serious decline in the Association's proportion of the total shipments made from Jamaica which, in their opinion, is mainly due to the diversion of fruit to the Buying Companies, owing to the higher price paid at time of delivery as compared with the 2/- guaranteed minimum paid by the Association. The Directors fully recognise the extremely difficult position in which many banana growers were placed following the serious damage to their crops caused by the hurricanes of 1932 and 1933 and it is felt that this unfortunate state of affairs led to a great deal of "selling over the fence." This disloyalty is greatly to be regretted as it causes a direct loss to the loyal members of the Association by reducing the quantity of fruit available to the Association, thereby increasing the freight rate per payable bunch on the smaller shipments made in the Association's own vessels.

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The Directors are glad to take this opportunity of expressing their deep appreciation of the continued whole-hearted support of thousands of members of the Association whose action has alone enabled the Association to maintain its competitive position in the Jamaica banana business for the benefit of all the banana growers of Jamaica.

In this connection the Directors also refer to the proposed investigations into the Banana Industry generally and into the operations of the Association and wish to make it quite clear that they have repeatedly invited the Government of Jamaica to make such enquiries as will establish the truth or otherwise of the charges made against the Association and also as to the position of the Association in relation to the Buying Companies.

DELIVERIES BY MEMBERS.—The following figures showing deliveries for the years 1932, 1933, and 1934 will be of interest:—

		% of Total Contractors	% of Total Acreage	% of Total Payables
1932.				
	From ¼ to 50 acres	99.1	74.0	64.9
	Over 50 acres	.9	26.0	35.1
		100.	100.	100.
1933.				
	From ¼ to 50 acres	99.2	74.2	51.5
	Over 50 acres	.8	25.8	48.5
		100.	100.	100.
1934.				
	From ¼ to 50 acres	99.0	72.5	46.0
	Over 50 acres	1.0	27.5	54.0
		100.	100.	100.

It will be observed from the above figures that the deliveries from the cultivations of under 50 acres have declined from 64.9% in 1932 to 46% in 1934. The Directors are, however, glad to report that the deliveries from the smaller cultivations show an upward tendency during 1935.

DEBENTURE REDEMPTION FUND:—The following statement shows in round figures the position of this fund as at 31st December 1934, and 1st October, 1935:

Total payments to Island Treasurer at 31st December 1934	£164,400
Less: Interest on Debentures to 31st December 1934 ..	43,400
	£121,000
Add: Interest collected on Redemption Fund A/C and gain on sale of investments	7,300
	£128,300
Deduct: Debentures purchased for cancellation	121,000
Sinking Fund as at 31st December 1934	£ 7,300
Add: Payments to Island Treasurer to 30th September 1935	18,200
	£25,500
Deduct: Interest on Debentures Jan.—Sept. 1935 ..	2,600
	£22,900
Deduct: Debentures purchased for cancellation ..	22,000
Approximate Balance to Credit of Debenture Redemption Fund as at 1st October, 1935	£900

Debentures issued		£200,000
Less: Redeemed as above to 31st December 1934	£121,000	
" " " " 1st October 1935	22,000	143,000
Debentures outstanding at 1st October, 1935		£57,000

1934 RESULTS:—The attached pool account shows that 2/10.77d. per payable was realised during 1934 as against 2/4.71d. realised in 1933. This improvement is almost entirely due to the heavier weight per payable of the fruit shipped to the markets abroad and particularly the heavier fruit shipped to the United Kingdom.

Although the quantity marketed in 1934 exceeded the 1933 quantity by approximately 260,000 payables, the bananas available to the Association were not sufficient to provide reasonably full cargoes, therefore the fixed charges were higher than they would have been had the Association received all the fruit under contract to it.

There has been a great deal of criticism with regard to the Management of the Association and the amount realised for the banana supplied by members.

The following comparison is between the annual prices paid by the United Fruit Company to its contractors, the prices paid by that Company for Contract and Open Market fruit for the years 1929 to 1934 and the nett realisations obtained by the Association. It should be pointed out that while the entire amount realised by the Association has not been paid out in cash to its members, the amounts retained by the Association have been utilised for the purposes of reducing the Association's liabilities to the Government and to ship-builders and, as shown by the Balance Sheet, members have now invested more than £203,000 in the Association. In the case of an ordinary trading company, the capital is subscribed in advance, whereas in the case of the Association members are contributing capital by means of the deductions made from the pool account.

	United Contract Price.	United Average Price.	Association Realisations.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1929 ..	3 2	3 0	2 11
1930	2 4¾	2 2¾	2 5
1931	2 4¾	2 2¾	2 5¾
1932	2 5¾	2 4	2 11
1933	2 10¾	2 10¼	2 4¾
1934	3 0	2 11¾	2 10¾
Annual Average: ..	2 8.66	2 7.25	2 8.04

With regard to the average price paid by the United Fruit Co., for both Contract and Open Market Fruit, it will be seen that this price is ,.79 of a penny (slightly less than eight-tenths of a penny) per payable less than the average realisations of the Association.

In making the above comparisons the annual average has been taken as, without knowledge of the quantities shipped in each year by the United Fruit Company of both Contract and Open Market Fruit, it is impossible to arrive at the actual average price.

It will be seen that the average amount realised by the Association is only .62 of a penny (slightly over six-tenths of a penny) per payable less than the average price paid by the United Fruit Company to its contractors and that this difference is due to the lower realisations obtained by the Association in 1933. Owing to the shortage of fruit in that year caused by the hurricane of November 1932, the quantities of bananas supplied to the Association were not sufficient to provide reasonably sized cargoes on its own ships and the Association's freight costs, etc., were unusually high.

The prices quoted above as paid by the United Fruit Co. are those contained in a statement by that Company to the Government.

The investment by members of over £203,000 serves to protect all Jamaica banana growers against the low prices which will inevitably follow a decrease of competition for fruit, but it must always be borne in mind that the Association cannot obtain favourable results unless it receives sufficient fruit to enable it to continue economical shipping and marketing arrangements and to maintain the position of its own marketing organisations in the main consuming countries of the world.

Attention is again called to the fact that the prices paid in Jamaica are consistently higher than those paid in any other banana producing country.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS:—Following the Extraordinary General Meetings which were held last year to amend the Articles of Association so as to provide for the establishment of District Associations, various preliminary meetings were held throughout the country with a view to setting up District Associations in certain districts. It subsequently became necessary to temporarily suspend this work so as to concentrate on the negotiations with the Government, which subject is dealt with elsewhere in this Report. It is hoped to resume work in connection with the District Associations at an early date.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE DI GIORGIO CORPORATION:—Your Directors have already reported to you that all contracts between the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation and the Association have been cancelled and that the Association now has its own marketing organisations in the United Kingdom, Europe, the U.S.A. and Canada.

It has not yet been possible to settle all the outstanding accounts between Di Giorgio and the Association but these are being dealt with as promptly as possible.

THE JAMAICA DIRECT FRUIT LINE SHIPS:—It will be remembered that the Di Giorgio Fruit Corporation and the Association jointly purchased and operated the four ships—"Jamaica Producer," "Jamaica Planter," "Jamaica Settler," and "Jamaica Merchant." The "Jamaica Producer" was badly damaged by fire while in a London dock in November 1933 and, in view of her age and lack of speed, it was decided not to incur the large expenditure necessary to put her in good operating condition but to sell the vessel to ship-breakers. When the contracts between Di Giorgio and the Association were cancelled, it was agreed that the "Jamaica Planter" should be sold for breaking up and that the "Jamaica Merchant" should be allocated to DiGiorgio and the "Jamaica Settler" to the Association. It was found recently that heavy repairs would soon have to be effected to the "Jamaica Settler" and, in view of her high operating costs and slow speed, it was decided that it would be more economical to sell the vessel to ship-breakers.

As members are already aware, the replacement of the old ships by new and faster vessels belonging entirely to the Association has resulted in far lower operating costs thereby increasing the net realisations of the fruit supplied by members.

PROSPECTS FOR 1935:—Your Directors regret to report that Market conditions this year have been unfavourable and poor prices have ruled in all Markets. In addition it has been found impossible to maintain the weight per payable at the figure reached in 1934 and, owing to the strenuous competition in Jamaica, much thinner bananas have been accepted for shipment than in previous years. Members must appreciate that as practically all bananas are sold by weight, the proceeds of a count bunch of bananas weighing 40 lbs. will be very much less than when bananas weighing 50 lbs. per count bunch were shipped.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:—Members of the Association will share with the Directors a keen sense of the great loss to the Association caused by the death of Mr. J. M. Nethersole, C.B.E. With the consent of the Government of Jamaica, Mr. Nethersole became a Director of the Association at its inception and continued in that position until his death, and acted on many occasions and for long periods as a member of the Executive Committee. Mr. Nethersole was also the Chairman of the Office Committee and in that capacity his unique experience was of very great advantage in securing efficient and economical arrangements. By reason of his conviction that the Association was a most important factor in the economic development of Jamaica, Mr. Nethersole worked unceasingly for the Association and his death leaves the Directors with the feeling that it will be indeed difficult to fill the place left vacant.

The Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Ltd.

Balance Sheet as at 29th December, 1934.

LIABILITIES.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
SHARE CAPITAL:		
Authorised:—240,000 Shares of 1d. each	1,000 0 0	
Issued:— 68,416 Shares of 1d. each		285 1 4
DEBENTURES—		
Authorised and Issued under Law 6 of 1928		
400 Debentures of £500 each ..	200,000 0 0	
Less:—242 Debentures Pedeemed ..	121,000 0 0	79,000 0 0
LOAN—		
Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co., Ltd.		
Loan for Preliminary Expenses ..		3,397 9 4
SUNDRY CREDITORS		20,280 0 4
RESERVES—		
For Debenture Redemption—		
1929 Contractors	14,109 15 11	
1930 ,, ...	31,584 16 11	
1931 ,, ...	28,245 10 11	
1932 ,, ...	27,547 19 8	
1933 ,, ...	8,131 13 10	
1934 ,, ...	11,087 7 5	
Interest and Profit on Investment ..	7,311 13 0	
	£128,018 17 8	
Deductions from Pool Accounts:—		
1930 Contractors ..	£10,232 1 4	
1931 ,, ..	36,867 18 8	
1932 ,, ...	28,000 0 0 75,100 0 0	203,118 17 8
SPECIFIC RESERVES		4,117 8 4
PROVISION FOR ADDITIONAL ADVANCES TO MEMBERS—		
Payable subsequent to 29/12/34		19,216 19 10
		£329,415 16 10

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES.

Note.—There were at 29th December 1934 Contingent Liabilities of the Association on amounts owing by the Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Company, Ltd., as follows:—

TO LITHGOWS LTD.—Mortgage a/c s/s "Jamaica Pioneer"	£79,882 2 8
,, ,, s/s "Jamaica Progress"	95,533 7 3
,, ,, s/s "Jamaica Producer"	170,050 0 0
	£345,465 9 11
COLONIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND—	
Loan towards construction—a/c "Jamaica Progress"	42,749 9 1
	£388,214 19 0

ASSETS.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
INVESTMENTS—		
Jamaica Producers' Marketing Co., Ltd.		
75,000 Shares of £1 each fully paid at cost		75,000 0 0
Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Limited		
at written down value		75,087 4 8
Jamaica Banana Producers' Steamship Co. Ltd.,		
100 Shares of £1 fully paid at cost ..	100 0 0	
Capital Advances	76,990 5 11	77,090 5 11
Jamaica Banana Company Inc.		
500 Shares of $100.00 each fully paid		
(at cost)—$50,000.00		10,416 13 4
		£237,594 3 11
CASH IN BANK AND IN HAND		9,741 8 6
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		66,584 5 7
FURNITURE, FIXTURES, STATIONERY, ETC.		
(At cost less Depreciation) ..		2,535 10 3
DEFERRED CHARGES & PREPAID EXPENSES ..		2222 8 3
DEBENTURE REDEMPTION FUND.		
Deposits with Island Treasurer ..		7,340 11 0
PRELIMINARY EXPENSES.		
Written down		3,397 9 4
		£329,415 16 10

(Sgd.) A. W. FARQUHARSON, *Chairman.*
(Sgd.) E. C. JOYSEY, *Secretary.*

We have examined the above Balance Sheet with the books, vouchers and documents of the Association, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the book value of the investment in the Jamaica Direct Fruit Line Ltd. should be further reduced. Subject to that remark in our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Association's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Association.

(Sgd.) W. BOWMAN, *Chartered Accountant.*
(Sgd.) R. PARKINSON, *Certified Accountant.*

1934 POOL RESULTS.
EARNINGS OVER 2/- PER PAYABLE.

	Pence Per Payable	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
U.S. & Canadian Pool.			
Surplus over guaranteed payment (4d. on 397,001 payables)	0.90		6,958 13 1
U.S. Shipments (Association's a/c.).			
Surplus over guaranteed payment (5. 8d. on 279,082 4/24 payables)	0.88		6,752 15 0
Europe—Association's space on jointly Operated Ships.			
Surplus over guaranteed payment	8.15	62,623 4 5	
Net Interest earned on investment in Jamaica Direct Fruit Line, Ltd.	0.95	7,282 18 11	
(14.4d. on 1,168,749 6/24 Payables)	9.10		69,906 3 4
	10.88		£83,617 11 5
Deductions—			
10% Written off Preliminary Expenses	0.11		849 7 4
			£82,768 4 1
Balance—Reserve for Contingencies			1 9 3
Net earnings 1,844,832 10/24 Payables	10.77		£82,769 13 4

Appropriated on behalf of 1934 Contractors as follows:—

2d. per payable for Interest and Sinking Fund, Debentures Issued under Law 6 of 1928.....	2.00	£15,373 12 0
Additional Advances Authorised	8.50	65,345 6 6
Extra Payment on Irrigated Fruit	0.27	2,050 14 10
	10.77	£82,769 13 4

[Jamaica Banana Producers' Assn]

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December 16, 1935

Mr. E. C. Joysey
Secretary of the
Jamaica Banana Producers'
Association, Limited
64 Harbour Street
Kingston, Jamaica, B.W.I.

13-32-33

My dear Sir:

I am under great obligations to you for the reports which you sent me in your letter of December 3. May I, however, venture to make one more request.

Have you any literature which gives the history of the rise and early development of your Association? I have long been a believer in co-operation and I want to let the colored people of the United States know what success you have had in your venture. I was in Jamaica in 1914 when the United Fruit Company had full sway and I know the difficulties of the situation. Later, Lord Olivier in returning from Jamaica, told me concerning the new venture in co-operation.

If, therefore, you could help me further with this information, I should be greatly indebted.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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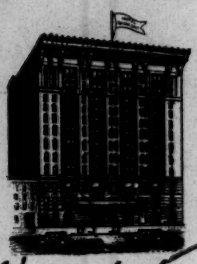
TELEPHONE BRYANT 9-3000



UNDER KNOTT MANAGEMENT

Hotel Woodstock

43RD STREET NEAR BROADWAY-AT TIMES SQUARE
NEW YORK CITY

Sept. 17, 1935.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am very sorry that, after your so kindly taking the trouble to call upon me, I missed you by being late. I had to see a lady who was leaving for Europe on a steamer from Jersey City. The company's bus which took me there did it in half an hour. That not being available for the return, a kind gentleman told me what he said would be the quickest

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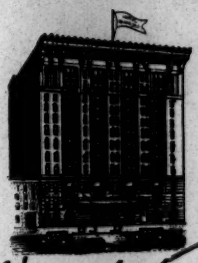
TELEPHONE BRYANT 9-3000



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Hotel Woodstock

43RD STREET NEAR BROADWAY-AT TIMES SQUARE
NEW YORK CITY

way to this place, and it took an hour and a quarter!

Please accept my apology. I will hope for better luck next time.

Thank you for calling.

29-12-41

Sincerely yours,

J. P. Jameson.

October 2, 1935

Mr. J. F. Jameson
Library of Congress
Washington, D. C.

14-27-16

My dear Dr. Jameson:

I am very sorry that I missed seeing you and can quite understand your delay. Appointments in New York are always uncertain.

I want to talk to you about the projected Encyclopaedia of the Negro and if you will let me sometime when I am passing through Washington, I shall give myself the pleasure of calling on you. I shall let you know.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS
DIVISION OF MANUSCRIPTS

October 7, 1935

Professor W.E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-28-65

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter of October 2. It will a great pleasure to see you when you are able to come here though I am afraid I have not much knowledge or wisdom respecting the projected encyclopedia.

Sincerely yours,

J. F. Jameson

JFJ:CA

Chief, Division of Manuscripts

x J. F. Jameson

[Japan, Embassy of]

Lecture

December 10, 1935

His Excellency
The Japanese Ambassador
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I am spending some months in Europe in 1926 as an appointee of the Oberlaender Trust. I should like if possible to return by way of Japan, but I cannot do this unless I can deliver lectures or perform other services sufficient to cover the extra traveling expense.

14-10-11

I am writing to ask if you would refer me to any organizations or institutions of learning who might possibly use my services.

I am enclosing a small lecture folder. my biography can be found in "Who's Who in America".

I am, sir,

Very respectfully yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DM
Enclosure 1.

JAPANESE EMBASSY
WASHINGTON

December 23, 1935

14-10-15

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Department of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Du Bois:

In answer to your letter of December 10, I am directed by the Ambassador to tell you that he regrets exceedingly that at this time he cannot think of any organizations or institutions such as you mention in your letter.

Yours sincerely,

Y. Iseki

Y. Iseki.
Secretary to the Ambassador.

New York City
1864 - 7 here - ap 133
April 1, 1935

Dear Dr Du Bois -

I am sure you will be surprised to hear from me. So be frank, it is to ask a favor.

I am writing Mr Ira De Reid of Atlanta University relative to a secretary-stenographic position in which he might be instrumental in placing me in New York City. Since you are so near him, I felt that you would be willing to speak to him about my work while with you at the "Crisis." I am sending him reference covering the period following.

As you perhaps know I am no longer connected

14-1-26

It has always been my intention to write you concerning your resignation from the "Trio." Perhaps the least said now, the better, but I should like to say that in my opinion it is an irreparable loss - but then Atlanta University has profited. I know how happy Dr. Hope must be to have you with him.

Trusting to have a word from you, I am most sincerely

Lottie Jarvis

(Charlotte N.C.

with the National Board of the Y.W.C.A. Due to the state of their budget and the drastic cuts they were obliged to make, after 15 years of service, I resigned last October and accepted a position with the Home Relief Bureau. It is most unsatisfactory in many respects, especially the state of insecurity which you will appreciate is of great concern to me. I shall therefore be deeply grateful for any word that you might say in my behalf to Mr Reid.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 5, 1935

14-1-27

Miss Charlotte Jarvis
1864 Seventh Avenue
Apartment 33
New York, New York

My dear Miss Jarvis:

I have just spoken to Mr. Reid concerning your application. I hope you may get what you want.

I was very glad to hear from you, and thank you for your kind words.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/D.

MEMORANDUM TO MR. JENKINS
FROM DR. DU BOIS

January 17, 1935

Century Dictionary, Revised Edition, 1913

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Preterit..."dived, sometimes dove."

WEBD/DW

3565 Denker Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

June 15, 1935.

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My Dear Dr. Du Bois:

It was with pleasure I read your article, A Nation Within A Nation, in the June issue of Current History. I was glad to read you as I was just wondering what you were doing with your pen since leaving the Crisis. I thought perhaps you were working to astound the world with another book.

14-30-25

With your article in mind I must confess, as others have, you are indeed a learned and scholarly man. It was just a few days ago my professor of Sociology spoke of your scholarly ability in high esteem. Yet I must agree also, as others have, that you are not a thinker. Judging you from your recent article I would say you are a man without ideas. Your article tells me that you are sincere in aiding the Negro masses by pulling him out making him a separate entity. Perhaps in order that he can look upon himself as does the Japanese, or any race which has been taught to worship their race and ancestors, keeping forever an eye on some Great Sun, as it were. Perhaps become a power, or perhaps a Black Menace. Or perhaps insane with Nationalism.

You state that the Negro has been left out in the cold from the early dawn of America's rise to power. But I am afraid, Dr. Du Bois, you but mean that there is nothing for the Negro under Capitalism, which succeeds only by exploiting the minorities. Would it not be better if the Negro would turn his attention to a New Order which seeks to give him his chance by overthrowing Capitalism which, as you have stated even if you did not know it, has kept him out in the cold.

The world seems to be headed not towards Nationalism which has inherent in it prejudices but towards Internationalism, Socialism, Communism and Assimilation. A Nation Within A Nation does not go far towards building up the brotherhood of man. With these thoughts in mind I can but say your best place seems to remain forever shut up in a class-room. As for me, I can not agree with such unfair but somewhat prevalent philosophy. I am seeking the brotherhood of man and not self-assumed segregation. If you just must write let it be your memoirs.

Very cordially yours,

Deaderick F. Jenkins

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 6 Jay
New York, New York

August 30, 1935

Mr. Deaderick N. Jenkins
3565 Denker Avenue
Los Angeles, California

14-30-76

My dear Sir:

Answering your letter of June 19, I beg to say that I am a Socialist although not a member of the party and have voted the Socialist ticket for a dozen years or more. I am seeking the brotherhood of men just as you are, but I am not attaining it and I see no way of reaching it as other people are not willing to recognize me as a brother. Certainly the laboring class of the United States is not willing to recognize black men as fellow workers. Until they do there is nothing for black workers to do but to unite with each other in order eventually to realize the new social state.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

WELLESLEY COLLEGE
WELLESLEY, MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF
ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY

October 9, 1935

Jenks

14-26-73

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

In response to your letter of September 10th, I may say that it does seem to me that there is a place for an authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro race.

I would be entirely willing to contribute an article or articles if there appeared to be something within my particular range of interests. I presume that there may be something in the general field of imperialism. However, my studies have aimed rather at general cultural problems than at specific relations of the Negro to them. My colleague Miss Elizabeth Donnan is of course the great authority on the early history of the slave trade; but I do not at the moment discover anything so inevitable for myself to undertake. Of course I do not know the

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14-26-74

scope which you propose to give the work. Hence I can only assure you of my cordial interest in your project.

Sincerely yours,

Leland H. Jenks

lhj/rw

15-1-22

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 10, 1935

Mr. Alvin Johnson
C/O New School for Social Research
West 12 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Johnson:

I am interested in a project for editing and publishing an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. You will see the sponsors which we have back of it. We have not as yet the financial aid necessary, but we think that we have good prospects.

In the meantime, if you could possibly spare me a half hour or so, I should like to talk over the general plans with you. I shall be in town until the 19. Would it be possible for me to see you?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Encyclopaedia

THE NEW SCHOOL
FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH
66 W TWELFTH ST NEW YORK

September 11, 1935

14-82-74

Dear Mr. Du Bois:

I shall be very glad to see you and talk over the Encyclopaedia with you. Will you call up my office and fix a time convenient for you?

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

Director

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.

FISK UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCE
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

CHARLES S. JOHNSON
DIRECTOR

October 10, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

14-21-16

I am very pleased to know that the plans for publishing an Encyclopedia of the Negro are being revived. You can count upon my full and interested cooperation in any direction that you feel that our services and data can be useful.

The demonstrated usefulness of the recently published volumes of the Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences, the usefulness, even, of the very meagre reference volumes on the Negro convince me that plans should begin for the developing of this project. In order to have available not only for myself but for my students reference materials on the various phases of Negro life, history and group relationships, it is necessary to multiply the purchase of new and old books, which is expensive and in the end still inadequate.

I shall be willing to contribute a short article or articles on subjects on which you feel that I have special information. It so happens that the nature of my work has exposed me to several fields which are more or less interesting. It might be well to list these in a later notation. Or, better still, since it will offer an opportunity to judge for yourself the nature and extent of this interest, I might refer you to a few publications dealing with the Negro for which I have been as a whole or in part responsible, and let you decide for yourself. These are:

The Negro in American Civilization, Henry Holt & Company, 1930
Report of the International Commission of Inquiry into the Existence of Slavery and Forced Labor in the Republic of Liberia, U. S. Department of State, Washington, 1930
The Negro in Chicago (A Study of Race Relations and a Race Riot, University of Chicago, 1922
Negro Housing and Home Ownership: Prepared for the Committee on Negro Housing of the President's Conference on Home Building and Home Ownership -- Volume VI, Publications of the President's Conference on Home Building and Home Ownership, Washington, D. C., 1932
The Economic Status of Negroes, Fisk University Press, 1933

Shadow of the Plantation, University of Chicago Press, 1934
Race Relations, D. C. Heath and Company, 1934
The Collapse of Cotton Tenancy, University of North Carolina Press, 1935
The Negro College Graduate, (Appearing shortly from the University of North Carolina Press).

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Charles S. Johnson

14-21-17

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14-23-74

Johnson, Georgia Douglas

1461 S St. N.W Washington, D.C.
November, 28, 1935.

Dear Dr. Dubois:

I am so glsd that an Encyclopedia concerning the Negro race is contemplated and doubly happy that the plans for such a work will have your direction as I know it will be presented in a fitting manner under your supervision.

Again, I feel that the matter should not be delayed for reasons that I will not specify just now.

As to my willingness to cooperate, you have only to command me. It may be that I could be useful in getting certain data from the Congressional Library here as there are a number of facts that should be included that can be found there and perhaps not elsewhere.

I am not employed now and can give any portion of my time that may be required in research.

14-23-75

As to the articles , I feel that they should cover the whole territory of Racial achievement in this country and elsewhere. Dr Daniel Murray's collection would be a wonderful sourse of data. Most of this material is in his late home in a room set apart for it fully catalogued. It may be that Mrs Murray may have to be approached very diplomatically to obtain this, but there are various ways of managing this that you might consider. Some of this material was presented to the Library of Congress by Mrs Murray (a portion of it has been stolen) and that perhaps could be more easily imvestigated.

This collection of Mr. Murrays goes back into ancient history and cites very nearly all of the characters with Negro blood who achieved distinction . It would be fine if you wo ld personally contact Mrs Murray.

Immediately, I thought of the Drama as an article I might sympathetically handle. Also I thought of May Howard Jackson who will doibtless recieve detailed mention.

This book will do more to interpret the Negro to the world,as well as to hmself , than any other single work as it will doubtless be comprehensive and give a bird's eye view of the whole line of march and marchers as well.

Know always that I am with you and have fullest confidence in your generalship. Very sincerely Georgia Douglas Johnson

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 5, 1935

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Mr. James Weldon Johnson
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Johnson:

It looks as though I'm not going to see you unless you get in tonight, as I am speaking Saturday and Sunday. Sorry not to welcome you to Atlanta University. I shall be back Monday morning, and if you are here, we will eat together.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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JAMES WELDON JOHNSON

Great Barrington, Mass.
June 25, 1935.

Dear Du Bois:

You have done a grand piece of work in Black Reconstruction— and no one else could have done it. You have done it with facts (the amount of research is stupendous) with logic and with biting eloquence — and where the subject called for it, with impassioned poetry. I believe the book will clear away a lot of false history, and serve as a sword for truth on a field where Truth has been practically vanquished.

I wish for the book the widest distribution possible.

Sincerely yours — Johnson.

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413 West 148th Street
New York City

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October 22, 1935

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

In reply to your letter of September 10, which has just been forwarded to me here from Fisk University, I wish to say:

I believe that the time has come when there should be some authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro race, in the form of an encyclopedia.

I should be very glad to contribute a short article, or articles, to such a work.

The subjects on which I feel best fitted to write would be on the Negro in literature or in such kindred arts as the stage and music.

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Sincerely yours,

x James Weldon Johnson

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May Sixth

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My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Replying to your letter dated April twenty-fourth let me say that the course which you have mapped out seems to me to be well advised. I raise the following questions, however:

1. As to whether the present status of the finances of the organization would permit at this time even tentative proposals for compensation to persons expressing willingness to write an article or articles for the Encyclopedia.

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2. As to whether the present status of our relations with Dr. Park will permit us to list his name as one of the proposed editors-in-chief. If my memory serves me correctly, he has not yet consented to serve in this capacity. Moreover, I believe that the names of the editors have not been finally acted upon by the Advisory Board. Under such circumstances it would seem advisable, for the time being, to omit the name of Dr. Park, and to place beside your own name some such title as will indicate the tentative nature of your own status, until this is finally approved by the Advisory Board. I have no doubt, of course, of the Board's approval.

On Saturday morning I received a copy of the letter which Dr. Stokes wrote you under date of April thirtieth, and I find myself in general agreement with the position taken by him. I am especially impressed with his suggestion that the Associate Editor should be a younger man than Dr. Park.

I think well also of his suggestion to place the two most important paragraphs in our Memorandum, namely, paragraphs VI and VII on the back of your sheet.

With cordial regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mordecai W. Johnson

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 3, 1935

Mrs. M. J. McCrorey
Johnson C. Smith University
Charlotte, North Carolina

My dear Mrs. McCrorey:

We arrived home safely and with the sun shining. Thank you again so much for your hospitality. It was a terrible imposition for such a night. I thought I would not add to it by coming to the party. Besides, I was sleepy.

My best regards to you and Mrs. McCrorey.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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The Trustees, Faculty and Graduating Classes

of

Johnson C. Smith University

request the honor of your presence

at the events of

Commencement Week

May the thirty-first to June the fifth

including the Conferring of Degrees

on Wednesday, June the fifth

nineteen hundred and thirty-five

at ten o'clock a. m.

University Church

Charlotte, North Carolina

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PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, MAY THIRTY-FIRST

Play—Shakespeare's Othello—Presented by the Little Theatre Guild, Biddle Memorial Hall ..... 8.15 P. M.

SUNDAY, JUNE SECOND

Baccalaureate Sermon, University Church ..... 11:00 A. M.
Rev. Louis S. Evans, D.D., Pastor, Third Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

MONDAY, JUNE THIRD

Annual Meeting of the General Alumni Association, Library .. 10:00 A. M.
Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees, Library ..... 10:00 A. M.
Senior College Class Exercises, Biddle Memorial Hall ..... 2:30 P. M.
President and Mrs. McCrorey's Reception for the Alumni and Graduating Classes, University Refectory ..... 6:00 P. M.
Address by Reverend Benjamin C. Robeson, College 1911, Theology 1914
Patterson, New Jersey
Junior Prize Contest, Biddle Memorial Hall ..... 8:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE FIFTH

Annual Commencement Exercises, University Church ..... 10:00 A. M.
Commencement Address by Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, Head of the Department of Sociology, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia

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Make a carbon for ...
Mrs. Shirley

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Telegram

Charge to Atlanta University

October 24, 1935

Mr. T. E. McKinney
Johnson C. Smith University
Charlotte, North Carolina

Shall arrive Friday afternoon

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Report of the Executive Secretary
Joint Committee on National Recovery

March 30, 1935

Mr. Chairman, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Joint Committee:

I have the honor to report on the work of the Joint Committee since our last meeting. In organization of our activities we have made definite headway; and, have been able to eliminate many time-taking efforts, which though worthwhile, have retarded more important work. There remain for the Joint Committee, however, many serious problems. Member organizations have failed to respond to our many requests for joint action, despite the fact that memoranda on various important issues have been sent them since our last meeting. Thus matters such as the laundry code study or the tobacco code have not seeped down to the constituencies of member organizations for their action and protest. The problem of securing agreement and concerted action of constituencies of member organizations on important issues affecting Negro workers is still but imperfectly solved by us.

Another problem we face is that of regular payment of pledges. As will be seen in the financial sections of this report some member organizations having pledged regular contributions nevertheless are as much as two months in arrears. Operating, as we are, on an exceedingly scant budget these deficits create a very unfavorable condition for effective work of the committee.

These problems and the limited staff given the responsibility for carrying on our work make it tremendously difficult to accomplish much that needs to be done for economic and social advancement of our group. Despite these drawbacks, I can report concrete results from our work since our last meeting: results which alone justify all the work we have done since our beginning.

NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION

The Maid-Well Garment Case

The case of the 143 colored women formerly employed by the Maid-Well Garment Company at wages below those to which they were legally entitled under the NRA is already well known to you through my previous reports. After 15 months of constant effort in behalf of these women, I may report definite results. Upon my recommendation the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People decided to bring legal suits in the United States District Court for the back wages of these women and also to push the case before the Regional Compliance Council of the NRA in Dallas, Texas. I was sent by the NAACP to investigate the case and conduct negotiations leading to these ends.

Accompanied by C. J. Coe, who was able to volunteer his services, I went to Forrest City and secured affidavits and powers of attorneys not only from practically all of the Negro women in the case who could be found in and about Forrest City, but from several white workers as well, who proved anxious to cooperate with the Negro employees in fighting for their back wages. This investigation plainly established the guilt of the company and the fact that nearly $6,000 in back wages is due to these workers.

At Little Rock, attorneys of the NAACP have filed a test case of one of the workers, which will be followed by others in the event that such action becomes necessary.

Following this arrangement for a civil suit, I appeared at the hearing on the case before the Regional Compliance Council in Dallas, Texas on March 11 and 12 and acted as special prosecutor in the case at the request of NRA attorney F. R. Kiebler. With the exception of the 87 affidavits furnished by Mr. Coe and ~~I~~, the NRA labor compliance officers had practically no concrete evidence upon which to base their

case against the company. Following presentation of this evidence, however, the Regional Compliance Council handed down the following decision, which because of its importance, I have included in full in my report.

Decision: In view of the facts which we have found in this case, it is the decision of the Council that the Respondents, Ed Ash, Edmund Ash, and Elsie Ash, individually and as co-partners doing business under the name The Maid-Well Garment Company and the Maid-Well Garment Company, an Arkansas corporation, have individually and collectively violated the provisions of Article IV, Paragraph "A" of the Code of Fair Competition for the Cotton Garment Industry, approved November 17th, 1933 and effective November 27th, 1933, in that they have required and permitted certain of their employees to work at least 40 hours each week and have paid them at the rate of less than 30¢ an hour for such work; and/or have paid them less than the minimum of $12.00 a week for such work; and have violated the provisions of Article IV, Paragraph "C" of said Code in that they have permitted and required more than 10% of the total number of employees engaged by them to be classified as "learners" although many of these employees classed as learners have had extensive experience in the work, and have paid such employees classed as learners less than 75% of the minimum wage prescribed by said code; and said respondent have violated Article IV, Paragraph "F" of said Code in that they have classified more than 10% of the total number of employees engaged by them as partially incapacitated by age. infirmity, or injury, whereas in truth and in fact in many of such cases the employees so classified were not incapacitated at all but were capable of doing the work of a normal person; and further, that said Respondents have failed to pay the employees classified as incapacitated the minimum wages prescribed by the Code.

It is, therefore, recommended that the Regional Director take the following action, effective five days from today:

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1. That he order Respondents, and each of them, to discontinue the display or use of all NRA Insignia.

2. That he order Respondents to discontinue the use of NRA labels; to discontinue attaching same to their garments, and to discontinue the sale of garments with NRA labels attached to them; and to refrain from using in any way or disposing of, except to return to the Code Authority or the Government, the NRA labels which they now have on hand.

3. That the Code Authority for the Cotton Garment Industry be directed to discontinue the issuance of NRA labels to Respondents or any of them.

4. That this case be referred to the Litigation Division.

5. That the Director recommend to the Litigation Division that this case be immediately referred to the appropriate United States Attorney with the recommendation that a grand jury investigation be instituted immediately for the purpose of determining whether respondents, or any of them, have committed offense under the criminal laws of the United States, because of the violations hereinabove referred to; and further, that a bill of injunction be filed as soon as possible in the appropriate United States District Court to enjoin the Respondents, or any of them, from committing any violations, in the future, of the Code for the Cotton Garment Industry, the National Industrial Recovery Act and any rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

6. That no Certificate of Compliance executed by the Respondents accompanied by full restitution to the parties injured by such violations be accepted from the Respondents, or any of them, unless offered together with a stipulation, duly executed by the Respondent, consenting to the immediate entry of a permanent injunction against all of them, restrainthem them from committing any violations, in the future, of said Code,

the National Industrial Recovery Act, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, and an agreement to plead guilty to certain courts in an indictment or criminal information which may hereafter be returned against them, or any of them.

Formal findings of fact will be filed later and made a part of this decision.

Following this decision I returned to Little Rock to confer with NRA officials and NAACP lawyers and to Forrest City to report to the workers on the status of the case. Since that time the following things have occurred: (1) A petition of the Maid-Well Company to restrain the removal of the Blue Eagle from the company has been denied by Judge Martineau of the United States District Court in Little Rock. (2) Fifteen witnesses recommended by me have appeared before the Federal Grand Jury to testify against the company. (3) The plant has been forced to close its doors.

Latest advice from Little Rock, which I have at the time of this report been unable to verify is to the effect that the company has agreed to plead guilty to a criminal information charging it with violating the code, to submit to an injunction restraining it from further violations; and to pay in full the wages due the workers as determined by us in our investigation.

Our aid to the workers of Forrest City is not finished. We have yet to seek for them some type of self-help project, work relief, and other federal aid which will free them from the almost utter destitution in which most of them find themselves today. How terrible this situation is can be seen from the following case histories:

(a) L. D. Age 47. No work since January 1934. No relief since March, 1934.

(b) S. C. Age 36. Mother of four children not in school. Gets 10 cents an evening and one meal for four hours domestic work each night.

(c) E. A. Wife of invalid ex-minister. Lives with two daughters and son-in-law. No one in family has worked since January 1934. Whole family has received only four food orders from relief in period of 14 months.

There are hundreds of such cases in Forrest City. If you ask, "How do these people live," the answer of your investigator is "I don't know."

Possible relief measures for these families ~~is~~ are at this time impossible from local, state, or federal sources. The State of Arkansas has no relief for any of its tens of thousands of destitute families. It will be the task of the Joint Committee to insist on adequate relief and rehabilitation for these distressed families as soon a s relief agencies begin again to function in Arkansas. Meanwhile our hope is that speedy payment of back wages due these workers will bring at least a brief moment of respite from almost unimaginable conditions of destitution.

Other Compliance Cases

Several other compliance cases are now being pushed before the National Recovery Administration. The case of Ben Terry of Ardmore, Oklahoma owed more than $500 by the Jordan Bus Lines of that city is now before the Regional Compliance Council in Dallas. Two other cases from Georgia, involving indeterminate amounts have been reported to proper authorities.

The Laundry Code Study

As indicated in my memorandum to member organizations in February the National Industrial Recovery Board refused to authorize a study of the laundry industry's

wages and hours requested by the President on his approval of the code. Vigorous protest was immediately made to Chairman S. Clay Williams and to every member of that board. As well a few of the member organizations sent in protests. As a result the National Industrial Recovery Board reversed itself and the study is now in actually progress. It should be completed by May 1. Meanwhile there is already an indication that the report will not be made public unless member organizations increase their protests against conditions in the laundry industry to the maximum. The code itself, containing the 14 cents an hour wage for 30,000 Negro women in the industry, has been continued indefinitely from March 10, 1935 pending completion of the study. Mr. Donald Richberg, new chairman of the National Industrial Recovery Board, has already declared to the Senate Committee considering the extension of NRA his willingness to have all service codes dropped from the NRA jurisdiction. This, if done, will mean the abolition of even a semblance of minimum wages or maximum hours for the laundry, hotel, barber shop and restaurant trades in which there are concentrated more than 261,000 Negro industrial workers. They will be abondoned by the administration to any starvation wage their employers wish to pay.

In this situation the task of the Joint Committee and its member organizations is clearly pointed out. We must make the strongest possible protest to Congressional Committee's considering the NRA and to officials of the NRA. This protest can only be effective if thousands of branches of member organizations write in insisting upon enforcement of the service codes and the establishment of adequate labor provisions for them.

The Tobacco Code

In February President Roosevelt approved a code for the tobacco industry containing provisions substantially worse than those in the temporary PRA agreement. The repeated protests of the Joint Committee and others against the code have probably been responsible for the ordering of a study of wages and hours in the industry and the limiting of the duration of the code to June 18, 1935. This study is to be conducted by the Division of Research and Planning of the NRA. Immediately upon the approval of this code, I conferred with Dr. Henderson and secured from him the promise that in the field work on the study Negro workers would be contacted. Subsequently I furnished him with the names of 866 Negro tobacco workers in North Carolina, only to have it indicated that there was no probability that they would be interviewed. Thus the study is apt to be based on misleading data furnished by the employers and will in no way reflect the misery of the workers.

Meanwhile the office of the Joint Committee has been flooded with complaints from Negro tobacco workers in North Carolina and Virginia. Numerous workers have been laid off from work. Others have been told that they must increase their speed or lose their jobs. There has been no increase in piece rates, yet more work is required of the workers per hour in order that they may earn the hourly rate set by the code. Attempts of the workers to organize into an A. F. of L. union have led to dismissals and intimidation. Reports of relief conditions among the tobacco workers from government sources reveal an appalling condition, with employed workers having to resort to relief offices because of the inadequate wages paid by the tobacco companies, which last year increased their profit by forty million dollars.

By sending memoranda to union officials, by constantly seeking through conference to secure an adequate study, by publicizing the rotten conditions in the industry, the Joint Committee has sought to improve the conditions of these workers. Concretely member organizations may be of service in this instance by urging their constituencies, especially the officers of branches of the organizations, to lend every aid to the employees in their attempts to organize. Within a short time I shall send out a special memorandum suggesting plans for aid of these groups of workers by local branches of member organizations.

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Tobacco Leaf Houses Code

The code for this branch of the tobacco industry has not yet been approved. As co-labor advisor on tobacco codes for the Labor Advisory Board of the NRA I have been in frequent touch with Mr. Leo Rogin in charge of these codes. Both of us have opposed the 15 cents an hour minimum sought by industry. At my suggestion Mr. Rogin has decided to make a field investigation of the workers in this branch of the industry before giving the recommendations of the Labor Advisory Board.

Southland Case

Without comment the National Industrial Recovery Board has allowed the petition of Tuskegee Institute and the Southland Manufacturing Company for an exemption from the wage provisions of the cotton garment code. Evidence at hearings on the petition showed that NRA officials, who investigated the plant found that the workers were not inefficient but that the machinery in the plant was. Evidence further showed that the company was making a profit and could not claim exemption on the theory of its inability to pay. The only claim of the company was that all of the employees were Negro and that they were less efficient than whites. The granting of the petition without comment, therefore, plainly puts NRA in the position of establishing a wage differential on the sole ground of race, upon the specious reasoning that Negro workers as a race are less efficient than whites. As was predicted in Joint Committee briefs on the case a year ago this decision has already led to an avalanche of other companies seeking exemptions on similar reasoning. Already petitions in the case two cotton waste mills and a cotton bag company have been set for hearing in April. And others for the construction industry are expected. Needless to say the Joint Committee will be represented at these hearings.

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AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT ADMINISTRATION

The Tenant Farm Homes Act of 1935

This proposed legislation was made the subject of a brief memorandum sent to all member organizations since our last meeting. A hearing has been held on the bill and a favorable report is expected. As I have already pointed out in the memorandum referred to, this bill is freighted with injury and harm for the tenant farmer in the South. Certainly its terms deserve careful study by member organizations and prompt action by them to prevent the irremedial damage threatened by this bill in its present form.

Sharecroppers

The Department of Agriculture has suppressed a report of one of its investigators on conditions among sharecroppers in Eastern Arkansas, claiming that its publication would jeopardize legal action planned by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. This report described flagrant violations of the provisions of the 1934 cotton contract and the utter destitution of Negro and white sharecroppers and tenant farmers.

Following close upon this episode has come the news that Arkansas courts have denied sharecroppers to sue landlords or enjoin them from violating contracts entered into between the Secretary of Agriculture and the landlords for the benefit of the sharecroppers and other tenants.

Periodic reports of FERA covering more than thirty cotton growing counties confirm the reports of dire need of this element of our farm population.

In the face of this condition there is maintained by the officials of the Department

of Agriculture a "do nothing policy" which my recent visits to Eastern Arkansas and Texas lead me to believe is bound to result in widespread violence between farm tenants and plantation owners. It is now squarely up to the Department of Agriculture to demonstrate that it can and will enforce the cotton reduction contracts in the courts or else to call on Congress for power to relieve the calamitous condition among the farm tenants and agricultural workers to which its policies have been the chief contributors.

Member organizations of the Joint Committee are faced sharply with the duty of bringing the maximum amount of pressure, of molding with all rapidity and force public opinion and public action strong enough to right the iniquitous situation now existing. Our previous attempts by conference and letter--to secure changes in the cotton contract failed. Our attempt to have the AAA even investigate cases cited to it have proved fruitless.

Such cases as the following investigated on my recent trip South will concretize this need:

(a) John Vance of Panola County, Mississippi owned a 40 acre farm, subject to a mortgage of less than $400. He was several times refused the opportunity of securing mortgage relief through federal authorities, the real reason being that his mortgage holder wanted to foreclose on the valuable property. Vance secured for his son a tract of land for sharecropping promising to pay a bale of cotton as rental. When the poor land thus rented produced only 424 pounds of cotton, Vance offered to make up the 76 pounds difference to the landlord, despite the fact that his son was the renter. The landlord insisted instead that Vance pay the cost of the "tags" on the cotton. When Vance refused the landowner had the parity checks held up both for the land rented by him and for the acreage reduced on Vance's own property. Vance wrote to Washington. Officials here sent a copy of his letter to the County Farm Extension Agent. When Vance went to the latter's office to inquire about his checks he was beaten over the head and face and kicked in the groins by the government agent. Later the landlord with whom the controversy had arisen gave him 24 hours to leave Panola County. Vance left for Memphis. In leaving he had to turn over a part of his livestock: two horses, a cow and a heifer to his mortgage holder for $20 cash, one of the horses alone bringing that amount for the lender. Later this same mortgage holder refused to let Vance's son manage the place or his wife remain there. Without court action of any kind he took possession of the land and is in complete control. Later he wrote to Vance advising him to sign a quit-claim deed to the premises since "it is no longer safe for you or your family in Panola County." Vance is now destitute in Memphis.

About this case the Department of Agriculture has done nothing.

(b) The case of Will Rideout of Snow Lake, Arkansas is substantially the same. Rideout walked one hundred miles to Little Rock to seek out a lawyer to "get me my justice." His story was that he had been forced to sign away his cotton checks to a landlord in the presence of the government agent and a sheriff. Later when he complained he was denied "furnishings" for last year's cotton season. He worked on the Mississippi Levee for a while at $2.00 a day. Later his former landlord offered him 75 cents a day to chop cotton. When Rideout refused to work, the landlord had him fired from levee work.

A number of similar cases reflect the same conditions and the same callous indifference of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Stopping off at Knoxville, Tennessee I had several conferences regarding the conditions of Negro workers on the project with Chairman Arthur Morgan, Mr. G. R. Clapp and Mr. Claire Killen, as well as with a number of others.

WORK RELIEF BILL

[1935 ?]

The Work Relief Bill, claimed to be a companion administration bill to the Economic Security Act is now in conference, having passed both houses of Congress. I wish to urge a specific course of action for member organizations, necessary if Negro workers are to receive even slight benefits from this bill:

a. Member organizations should organize through their local branches immediately committees to aid needy Negro workers secure employment under the bill and to promptly carry through proper channels complaints of discrimination.

b. These committees should especially seek widest participation of white collar workers in the 300 million dollar job fund especially set aside for white collar workers.

Our experience with CWA should forewarn us of coming injustices in this new plan. We know that there was gross discrimination against all classes of Negro workers under CWA; and that particularly was it difficult to get Negroes on white collar clerical projects, the government officials claiming there was no place to employ Negro clerks.

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Unfortunately newspaper reports indicate that 40 million dollars earmarked for the purpose of keeping schools open has been eliminated from the bill in conference. It is not too late for member organizations to send telegraphic protest to the confrees protesting this elimination.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ECONOMIC STATUS OF NEGROES

The National Conference on the Economic Status of the Negro authorized at our December 14th meeting is now well underway. It will be held in conjunction with the Social Science Division of Howard University, who in addition to furnishing an auditorium and conference rooms for the conference have appropriated one hundred and seventy-five ($175.00) dollars towards the expenses of the Congress. The remaining expenses are to be raised through conference fees and donations. A copy of the tentative program, jointly agreed upon by the sub-committee of the Joint Committee and the Social Science Division of Howard University accompanies this report. I am happy to say that most of the speakers listed have consented to appear. In addition the Howard University Journal of Education will devote an entire issue to the publication of a complete transcript of the deliberations.

What is particularly needed at this time to make the conference the success it deserves to be is as follows:

(a) Mention of the conference in news releases and other publications of Member Organizations.

(b) Immediate mailing to the executive secretary by executives of member organizations of complete lists of interested persons to be invited to the conference.

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL RECOVERY
PRUDENTIAL BANK BUILDING
717 Florida Avenue, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

22 April 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Miss Charlotte Templeton has a complete file of materials on the Joint Committee which will no doubt give you the information you desire concerning the Joint Committee. Mr. William Deane has recently been sent additional information concerning the Joint Committee which he no doubt will be glad to let you see.

I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you at our conference in May.

Sincerely yours,

John P. Davis

John P. Davis,
Executive Secretary

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Encl.

P.S. -- Enclosed is a copy of the May Conference program. I sincerely hope that you will send in a rough draft of your paper which is to be read within the next week or ten days so that it can be sent to the discussion leaders.

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[ENCLOSURE]

SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION OF HOWARD UNIVERSITY
JOINT COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL RECOVERY

PROGRAM FOR NATIONAL CONFERENCE

PLACE: Auditorium, Frederick Douglas Memorial Hall, Howard University.
TIME: May 18,19 and 20, 1935.
THEME: "The Position of the Negro in Our National Economic Crisis."

First Session - May 18 at 9:30 a.m. Dr. George E. Haynes will preside.

9:30 to 10:30 Registration of delegates.
10:30 to 10:40 Remarks by the Presiding Officer.
10:40 to 11:20 "A Survey of the Problems of the Negro Under the 'New Deal'" - Mr. John P. Davis
11:20 to 11:40 Discussion of Paper - Dr. Abram L. Harris
11:40 to 12:00 Discussion from the Floor.

12:30 - Luncheon for delegates at Howard University

Second Session - May 18 at 2:30 p.m. Dr. Charles H. Wesley will preside.

Topic: "The Negro Industrial Worker"

2:30 to 3:00 "The Negro Worker Under NRA" Dr. A. Howard Meyers.
3:00 to 3:30 "The Plight of the Negro Industrial Worker" Mr. T. Arnold Hill
3:30 to 4:00 "The Trade Union Movement and the Negro" Mr. A. Phillip Randolph.
(In the event of Mr. Randolph's absence his paper will be read by Mr. Ashley Totten)
4:00 to 4:15 Discussion of Papers Mr. Ira DeA Reid
4:15 to 4:30 Discussion of Papers Mr. Robert W. Dunn
4:30 to 5:10 Questions from the Floor
5:10 to 5:30 Discussion from the Floor

Third Session - May 18 at 8 p.m. Miss Nannie H. Burroughs will preside.

Topic: Symposium of Negro Workers and Farmers on the "New Deal"

A Negro Needle Trade Worker from Forrest City, Arkansas
A Negro Tobacco Worker from Reidsville, North Carolina
A Negro Domestic Worker from New York City
A Negro Steel Worker from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
A Negro Laundry Worker from Washington, D.C.
A Negro Sharecropper from Lauderdale County, Alabama
An unemployed Negro Worker from Baltimore, Maryland
A Negro Farmer from Panola County, Mississippi.
(Following the Symposium delegates will have the opportunity to ask questions.)

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Fourth Session - May 19 at 10:00 a.m. — Dr. Charles S. Johnson will preside.

Topic: "America's Negro Farm Population"

10:00 to 10:30	"The Present Position of the Negro Farm Population"	Miss Olive Stone *
10:30 to 11:00	"The Government's Farm Policies and the Negro Farmer"	Mr. M.L. Wilson
11:00 to 11:45	"The Effect of the New Deal Farm Program on the Negro"	Dr. E. Franklin Frazier
11:45 to 12:00	Discussion of Papers	Mr. J.M. Maclachlan
12:00 to 12:15	Discussion of Papers	Mr. James S. Allen
12:15 to 12:35	Questions from the Floor	
12:35 to 1:00	Discussion from the Floor	

Fifth Session - May 19 at 2:30 p.m. — Dr. Howard Long will preside.

Topic: "New Deal" Social Planning and the Negro

2:30 to 3:00	The Policies of the Subsistence Homestead Division on the Negro (In the event of Mr. Pynchon's absence his paper will be read by Mr. Edward W. Zeuch)	Mr. Charles Pynchon.
3:00 to 3:20	"Solving the Problem of Farm Tenancy"	Mr. Frank Tannenbaum
3:20 to 3:40	"Tennessee Valley Authority and the Negro"	Fraulein Berta Asch *
3:40 to 4:20	Critique of New Deal Social Planning as it affects Negroes	Dr. Ralph J. Bunche
4:20 to 4:30	Discussion of Papers	Dr. Charles H. Houston
4:30 to 4:45	Discussion of Papers	Mr. M.H. Hedges
4:45 to 5:10	Questions from the Floor	
5:10 to 5:30	Discussion from the Floor	

Sixth Session - May 19 at 8 p.m. — Dr. Mordecai Johnson will preside.

Topic: What Kind of Social Planning Best Suits the Needs of the Negro

8:00 to 8:10	Remarks by the Presiding Officer	
8:10 to 8:50	Social Planning For the Negro, Past and Present.	Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois
8:50 to 9:10	Social Planning For the Negro in the Future	Dr. Abram Harris *
9:10 to 9:30	Discussion of Papers	Mr. Emmett Dorsey
9:30 to 9:50	Questions from the Floor	
9:50 to 10:10	Discussion from the Floor	

(* Persons starred have been invited.)

Seventh Session - May 20 at 10:00 a.m. Miss Elizabeth Eastman will preside.

Topic: (a) Domestic Labor; (b) Unemployment and Relief

10:00 to 10:30	The Plight of Negro Domestic Labor	Mrs. Myra Colson Callis
10:30 to 10:40	Discussion of Paper	Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames
10:40 to 10:50	Discussion of Paper	Miss Mary Anderson
10:50 to 11:00	Questions from the Floor	
11:00 to 11:10	Discussion from the Floor	
11:15 to 12:00	Negro Unemployment and its Treatment by the FERA	Mr. Forrester Washington
12:00 to 12:15	Discussion of Paper	Mr. Nels Anderson
12:15 to 12:30	Discussion of Paper	Miss Thyra Edwards
12:30 to 12:45	Questions from the Floor	
12:45 to 1:00	Discussion from the Floor	

14-1-51

Eighth Session - May 20 at 2:30 p.m. Dr. Alain Locke will preside.

Topic: How May We Improve the Status of Negro Workers and Farmers?

2:30 to 3:00	The Answer of the Socialist Party (Because of Mr. Thomas' unavoidable absence, his paper will be read by Mr. Paul Porter)	Mr. Norman Thomas
3:00 to 3:30	The Answer of the Communist Party	Mr. James W. Ford
3:30 to 4:00	Questions from the Floor	
4:00 to 4:30	Discussion from the Floor	
4:30 to 5:15	Critical Summaries of the Conference (each speaker to have seven minutes)	Mr. T. Burnham King Dr. Ralphe J. Bunche A White Worker A Negro Worker Dr. E. Franklin Frazier Mr. John P. Davis

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Panel discussions on particular subjects will be arranged at the conference; Monday evening is reserved for a general discussion of "Next Steps in the Light of Present Problems." Delegates are urged to take part in this session.

WHO'S WHO AMONG THE CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

Mr. James S. Allen has made several studies of Negro Farm Problems. He is a member of the Communist Party.

Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames is a member of the Southern Interracial Commission. She has published a pamphlet on conditions of domestic labor in the South.

Miss Mary Anderson is head of the Women's Bureau of the United States Department of Labor.

Mr. Nels Anderson is author of "The Hobo"; and is now with the engineering division of FERA.

Fraulein Berta Asch is from Berlin; now an Elmhurst Fellow at the Brookings Institution. She has made a detailed study of TVA.

Miss Nannie H. Burroughs is Principal of the National Training School for Woemn and Girls.

Dr. Ralph J. Bunche is head of the Department of Political Science at Howard University.

Mrs. Myra Colson Callis is a member of the faculty of the Atlanta School of Social Work. She was a meber of the White House Conference on Domestics.

14-1-52

Who's Who Among the Conference Speakers -

Mr. John P. Davis is executive secretary of the Joint Committee on National Recovery.

Mr. Emmett Dorsey is instructor in political science at Howard University

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois is a member of the faculty of Atlanta University, author of a number of books on the race problem and formerly editor of the Crisis.

Mr. Robert Dunn is director of Labor Research Association and author of several books on problems of industrial workers.

Miss Elizabeth Eastman has been prominent in the field of interracial cooperation for a number of years.

Miss Thyra Edwards is connected with the Abraham Lincoln Center in Chicago. A former student at Brookwood Labor College, she has lectured on workers' education in this country and in Europe.

Mr. James W. Ford was candidate for the vice-presidency of the United States on the Communist ticket in 1932.

Dr. E. Franklin Frazier is head of the Department of Sociology of Howard University. He is author of the "Negro Family in Chicago"; and collaborated on Negro farm studies at Fisk University.

Dr. Abram Harris is co-author of the "Black Worker;" a member of the faculty at Howard University; former member of the Consumers' Advisory Board of the NRA; and recent recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship.

Dr. George Edmund Haynes is Race Relations Secretary of the Federal Council of Churches.

Mr. M.H. Hedges is secretary-treasurer of the National Association for Economic and Social Planning.

Mr. T. Arnold Hill is executive secretary of the National Urban League.

Dr. Charles Houston is vice dean of Howard University Law School; and special counsel of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Dr. Charles S. Johnson is head of the Social Science Division at Fisk University; Dr. Mordecai Johnson is President of Howard University.

Mr. T. Burnham King is a Commonwealth Fellow from the London School of Economics. His home is South Africa. He has been studying the race problem in America for the past year.

Dr. Alain Locke is professor of philosophy at Howard University.

Dr. Howard Long is assistant superintendent of the Washington Public Schools.

Mr. J.M. Maclachlan is a member of the faculty of the University of North Carolina.

Dr. A. Howard Meyers is executive director of the Labor Advisory Board of the National Recovery Administration.

Mr. Paul Porter is Labor Secretary of the Socialist Party.

Mr. Charles Pynchon is general manager of the Subsistence Homesteads Corporation of the Department of Interior.

Mr. A. Phillip Randolph is president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

Mr. Ira DeA Reid is in the Department of Sociology of Atlanta University.

Miss Olive Stone is a native of Alabama; now a Fellow at the University of North Carolina.

Mr. Frank Tannenbaum has made several studies of the South and of tenant problems.

Mr. Norman Thomas was Socialist candidate for President of the United States in 1932.

Mr. Forrester Washington is head of the Atlanta School of Social Work; and was formerly Director of Negro work of FERA.

Mr. M.L. Wilson is Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

Mr. Edward Zeuch is in the Planning section of the Subsistence Homesteads Division.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COMMERCE
WASHINGTON

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October
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1935

14-21-19

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Referring to your letter of September 10th, I can assure you that I am entirely in accord with the idea of beginning at the earliest possible date the compilation of the Encyclopaedia of the Negro.

Of course, I would be willing to cooperate in every possible way, especially in rendering service in the field in which I have had my largest experience.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Eugene Kinckle Jones

EKJ:RVA

Eugene Kinckle Jones.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 3, 1935

14-27-58

Mr. George M. Jones
OBERLIN COLLEGE
Oberlin, Ohio

My dear Sir:

You will find a list of colored men who have received the degree of Ph.D. in the Tuskegee Year Book, 1931-1932 edition, pages 184-185.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

CROSS REFERENCE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE PRECEDING,

DUBOIS TO GEORGE M JONES, APRIL 3, 1935

SEE THE FOLLOWING:

D. H. ANDERSON TO DUBOIS, MARCH 28, 1935

(GENERAL CORR)

Ida Jones

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 14, 1935

14-27-48

My granddaughter wants her mother to have a list of books on the education of very young children. Could you suggest some?

WEBD/DW

14-19-85

937 Ashby Circle
Atlanta, Georgia
September 6, 1935

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I was very much surprised and happy to receive your telegram Sunday morning.

It is true that I am to study at Columbia this winter. The Board finally decided to give me a chance. I am pleased to have the opportunity of studying at my favorite University.

It will be a pleasure to me to help with your grand-daughter's education. I have wanted to meet her for a long long time and I am sure that we will become great pals. Please remember to say "hello" to her for me.

I have been kept quite busy this summer. I was employed by

the federal Government to train teachers for emergency nursery school work. For the first part of the Summer, I trained Geolgia teachers at S. T. & A. College Forsyth, and for the latter part, I went back to Kentucky State College. My program there was enlarged and more teachers were sent there for training. The nursery schools in that state were very successfully operated last winter. I have just been home one week.

I am planning to arrive in N. Y. on the 2nd. I have made arrangements to live at the International House.

Everybody is teasing Ernestine. She really wants to study too, but her plans did not develop. We have been pals since we were kids and this will be the first time that we've been separated for any length of time.

I do hope to hear from you again soon.

Respectfully,
Ida L. Jones

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-11-16

February 7, 1935

Mrs. Mildred Bryant Jones
4809 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mildred:

Thank you for your letter and welcome! I regret to say that the best thing I can do is to arrive in Chicago about 2:40 in the afternoon, but I shall put my bags in the parcel room and go off to the Museum of Art, or movie, or both, and present myself at 4809 Indiana Avenue at 7 P.M.

That new lock sounds too mysterious for me to attempt to pick it without the personal presence of the hostess. I shall have eaten dinner before I come so that there will be nothing to do but to greet you and dress for the lecture. I think this will be by far the simplest solution, don't you?

With best regards, and until I see you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Jones
~~Kenwood~~ 8670
4809 Indiana Ave.
Chicago, Illinois
February 24, 1933

My dearest Mr. DuBois:

You are probably lecturing in Detroit right now while I am sitting in the kitchen by the window writing to you. I hope things went well in Toledo & Detroit financially (I mean — I know the artistic side is O.K.). I miss you much.

It was a joy to have you here — even if you were not so impressed with the automatic heat! Ha! ha! I continue to be joyous concerning it — and if anyone doubts it, I'll write a sycophonic poem in praise of it! That how enthusiastic I am!

Please send the proof of "Black Reconstruction" right on to me. I'll take good care of it and see that it is returned safely to you. Use your judgment

14-11-41

as to how it should be sent. I
that afternoon that I had not
enough knowledge of how such
material is usually sent - to be
making a request that it be
sent any particular way. The
postman has orders not to
deliver any mail (no matter how
sent) to anyone other than me -
so he will be useful. I'll drop
you a line as soon as I receive
it.

I know your trip has done
you a world of good. You looked
so well. Keep that way.

Lovingly & happily
Mildred.

P.S. Enquired yesterday at Hillman's
about the genuine Benedictine -
-can get a 12 oz. bottle (about ⅘ pt.)
of the genuine - made by the monks
in France - for $2.65 + tax. Shall
invest & follow your directions.
Many thanks. M.

I think of the lovely dinner & the
"vin blanc." It was "excellente"!

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 27, 1935

Mrs. Mildred Bryant Jones
4809 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mildred:

I am home from the trip and had a very interesting time. I am sending you the proof of the chapters for which you asked.

I hope this will find you well and happy. Here, to my surprise, we are having snow.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Encl. herewith

14-11-20

[JONES]

Kenmore 8870.

Monday Evening
March 6, 1933.
4809 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Michael Bryant Jones

Dearest Mr. Du Bois!

Many thanks for the chapters which reached me safely a few days ago. Had been in the doghouse & so had the postman ever since you left & once or twice that to send me S. O. S. Had to turn in my Outline two weeks ago - my Advisor approved & it is now in the hands of the Committee. I hope they also will approve. Shall use ~~Miss~~ information from chaps. in writing & add back to my bibliography. Shall return proofs after using. Don't forget to send me an auto-graphed copy as soon as it (the book) is out. Please. I'll pay for it (at least

14-11-21

OUTLINE AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

ha! ha!)
49¢ – if you will be so sweet as
to send the book quickly
– so I can "expand & show off"
– again I know you are busy busy
& saying "he shall not send it"
– but I know you will. You
always respond. Many people
are asking when it will be out &
want it at once. I think it
will have a fine & immediate
sale. I am glad. Such a book
is needed.

Hope you are O. K. & happy.
I am rushed to death trying
to finish two term papers
which were due last week!

But so is almost everyone
else late & rushed – so I shall
worry."

Bless you woefully – & I
love you much! You just
missed sub-zero Chicago
weather & deep snow & icy
streets. Now, however, it
appears that "Spring has come

but I am skeptical & clinging to my warm fur coat. Stirred a cloth coat last week & was valiantly & winningly resisting a cold.

Write! Lovingly & hurriedly,
Mildred.

[Jones]

Kenwood 8670
4809 Indiana Ave.
Chicago, Illinois.
June 29, 1935

14-11-22

My dearest Mr. Du Bois:

Where are you & how are you? I surely would like to see you. Do write to me. I have tried to justify your faith in me — & hope you will be pleased. One year ago (last June - to be exact) I began my graduate work in history at Loyola University — Wednesday June 26 I had that unusual oral comprehensive exam. & after being informed that I passed a very fine exam. each of the three examiners have personally seen me & shaken hands with me & have spoken in very complimentary terms. I was feared stiff — It was surely thankful it is over. My thesis

handed in June 3rd - was accepted "without qualification" & I shall tell you something else about it later. I think you'll be glad. So on August 2, at this midsummer Convocation, I am to receive the M. A. in History.

The professors seemed to feel I had accomplished a very great deal - to do the whole thing in one year - & at the same time carrying on my full load of teaching. Well, thank God - that's that! The "chapter" certainly helped as a reliable reference. Everyone is anxious to see your book & is loudly lauding your article in the July number of the Journal of Negro History. I am so proud of you.

I hope all of the family are fine. I know little "Dr. Bois" is a darling.

Write.

Lovingly,
Mildred.

14-11-23

P. S. Had a "proposal" last evening.

I said "No! — not now — nor any other time! Thanks just the same." The fools! They "make me so tired". What do they think I am? Crazy? Humph! "I know when I'm well off."

Selah!

M. Bryant
Jones

14-11-24

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

Mrs. Mildred Bryant Jones
4809 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mildred:

I congratulate you heartily on finishing your work at Loyola. I agree with your professors that you did a good job.

I have been doing very little work during July and on the 23rd I am going off to camp for a month. Then I shall come back and work during August and September. I hope you are going to get some rest.

If you see any reviews of my book in the Chicago papers, please send them to me and let me know where you are going to be.

Yolande and DuBois are in the Y.W.C.A. camp and intend to stay the month, if it agrees with the baby. We all join in best love to you.

Sincerely,

s W. E. B. DuBois

Old Faithful Geyser, 150 ft., Yellowstone Park. This is the most celebrated picture ever taken of this famous geyser which with clock-like regularity gives its exhibition at intervals of 60 to 80 minutes throughout the [illegible]

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THIS SPACE FOR ADDRESS ONLY

Yellowstone. Aug 6 1932

Having wonderful time on to Seattle, Portland San Francisco Los Angeles, San Diego Salt Lake City & a few days rest in Colorado Springs. Home Aug. 31st. Hope you & all of the family are well.

Sincerely
Mildred. Jones

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
226 W. 130th St.
Apt. 5 J
New York
N. Y.

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14-11-25

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

August 20, 1935

Mrs. Mildred Bryant Jones
4809 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mildred:

Your card from Yellowstone found me camping in Maine and having a most interesting and profitable summer. Your trip, also, must have been fine and I am glad that you took it. Let me hear more about it later.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[Jones]

Kenwood 5670

4809 Indiana Ave.

Chicago, Illinois

September 11, 1925.

14-11-26

My dear Mr. DuBois:

Your letter came shortly after my return home and I was certainly glad to receive it and learn that all is well with you and that you had such a good vacation. I have at last come to the conclusion that your way of taking frequent & real vacations is the only sensible thing for folks who work hard. — and "from now on" I am going to do just that — believe me. I surely did enjoy my vacation — the

first in exactly four calendar years! I did no socializing & simply travelled, saw the sights, stayed in good, comfortable hotels (even through the four days spent in Yellowstone), went when & where I pleased, slept late, and stinted myself in no way. The net result was that four weeks practically made me over. Shall tell you about everything when I see you in February — gosh! that's a long way off!

School begins Monday, Sept. 17th. Plenty of work ahead. I don't care. I'm "powerful glad" that I'm well & have a good job. Glad & thankful.

friends I met aboard German steamer (in 1927) returning from Europe – people of German descent – independent financially – got hold of me in California (Alameda – a town near San Francisco) & gave me a royal time. Took me to Stanford U-ni., red-wood big trees, San Jose, etc. ad infinitum – & fed me (like you do at Union Station) at their home & elsewhere until I cried for quarter. Sie made some real friends travelling – I have some fine Dutch over in Plainfield, N. J. & some straight plain U. S. A'ns in Northwood, N. H.

When do you return to Atlanta?

The meeting of the historians here was well attended. Everyone missed & wished for you. My cousin Charles Worley of Harvard made a wonderful address at North western U. last night — Per. Sec.'s face open red at times — but he "took it" valiantly. The subject of the address was "Reconstruction in History."

Hope all of the family are well. I know Mrs Bird is a dashing. Love to Mrs. du Bois do write soon.

Yours,
Mildred.

Where is that autographed copy of Black Reconstruction? Shall I get one here & then have you autograph it when you come? Maybe I should have done that at first instead

W

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October 10, 1935

Professor W.E.B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Professor Du Bois:

14-26-78

I have read with deep interest your letter of September 10th and the abstract from the memorandum outlining the plans for the Encyclopedia of the Negro. In accordance with your request I submit the following answer to your questions:

1. I believe that an Encyclopedia of the Negro will be of real value not only to the serious students of race relations but also to many general readers interested in human affairs.

2. I shall be glad to cooperate in any possible way. The field of research in which I have had considerable experience is colonial education in Africa. As this field has not yet been explored by many students, it may be that I can assist in articles in that field. However, you and your associates are familiar with my work and I would much prefer to have you indicate any topic which, in your opinion, would be within the scope of my experience.

Very sincerely,

TJJ
RLH

Thomas Jesse Jones

Kindly send me copy of The Crisis

K.

299,RFD#2,Bellingham,Wash., 5-27-35.

Dr. W. E B. DuBois,
Atlanta.
Dear Sir:

Re your article in Current History:

In 1889 I became thoroughly convinced that work people would never be able to create a paradise of earth through proxy,(mis)representative lawmaking. Looking round for a better wayI saw that by 'taking the meeting to the people' instead of having the people come to the meeting we could transform the Town Meeting,a pure democracy,into the exact instrument we need.

14-22-82

The New England Town Meeting works best when 40 to 60 attend. Large numbers create a mob;make it unwieldly.But by pringing committee reports in a quarterly bulletin;sending this to every voter;have voters send suggestions and criticisms to the chairman of the committee;we can,in the six quarters between the Nov biennial eleection and the July preceeding the next election,DRAFT IN COMPLETE FORM:IN MINUTEST DETAIL ten to twenty measures;submit these measures to the voters who can vote on each measure

(1) DIRECTLY,no proxies;no mis-representatives;no lobbyists; and
(2) SEPARATELY,as we do everywhere,save in our system of mad-house politics,where we bunch BY TITLES ONLY,50 to 250 distinct motions in our platitudinous party platforms;requiring voters to accept or reject IN TOTO;but the list of TITLES of measures binds no one;means nothing;is mere sucker bait.

It was a great idea;has been adoted as a constitutional amendment in 23 states. But that first,crude form was very costly to operate. Now I have devised a simple;effective;cheap; fool-proof and automatic measure,as much better than the original as a Ford "V - 8" is better than Ford's first contraption which snorted along rutty dirt roads at SEVEN miles an hour.

Our Organization Manual MS. will be ready about July 1st. Meanwhile I am trying to get County Organizers to do a little preliminary work(at good wages) - select a 'progressive' county having 20,000 to 40,000(Large cities and sparsely populated areas are not so good for starting);enroll a 'canvaser' for each 800 population. Then I or some experienced organizer will come and assist in the canvas and then in organizing cooperative societies.

Direct Legislation and cooperation will be the foundation of a real democracy;political and economic.

I have long desired contact with some Negro - though I have serious doubts whether anywhere in the South such a movement

would be tolerated;for the (White) South seems to hold two sacred beliefs:-

(1). That the Negro is something less than human;and
(2). That White and Black must NEVER meet on terms of equality.

The Cooperative Union of Lawmakers,Producers And Consumers, CULPAC,for short,from the initials; is a pure democracy. Of course it is not absolutely necessary that White and Black meet in the same society(cooperative garage;cooperative undertaking parlors;cooperative drug store,etc.,etc);but it would be silly to have TWO cooperative garages in the same town.

However,I would rather have two cooperative garages than none.

Kindly write me,particularly as to whether IN THE DEEP SOUTH,it will be better to have TWO cooperative undertaking parlors or ONE. two garages etc etc

I was once a member of a cooperative COLONY. That was too great a change from our present profiteering relations. But a cooperative society which takes over only one,or at most,a few relations,is feasible.

14-22-83

I suppose that you are familiar with Rochdale cooperative societies. If not I will be pleased to go into details. Assuming that you are;Would it be possible to organize cooperative garages(including oil and gasoline);cooperative undertaking parlors;cooperatice cemeteries;cooperative drug stores; cooperative bakeries,in Atlanta and should they be confined to Negroes? or open to both Black and White?

Such businesses are too easily wrecked to make it wise to arouse public ill-will. Would public opinion tolerate the two races meeting as equals?Or would it be best,at the start,to organize separately?

In its firat,crude,form,my plan has been endorsed by more than 20,000,000 voters. In its new,simple;vastly more effective form it will sweep the nation. We pay good wages for organizers and canvasers.

Kindly write me,

W. H. Kaufman

[ENCLOSURE]

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299,RFD#2,Bellingham,Wash., 5-27-35.

North Kansas City Cooperative Wholesale,
North Kansas City.

Sirs:

I enclose copy of letter to The Farmer-Labor Association of Minnesota and MS. of first pages (rough draft) of our Organization Manual,A WORKERS' WORLD.

I make you the same proposition:-

(1). If you will secure an energetic,reliable County Organizer;
(2). Set hit to work in a progressive county,(preferably of 20,000 to 40,000 population) securing canvasers(about one to 800 population);
(3). I will pay you $5 per county organizer,one to three in each state (Nebr.;Mo.,Kan., and Iowa).
(4). The county organizers will pay their 'registration fee' of $1 each.
(5). County Organizers will collect $1 from each canvaser;keep 55¢ for each;put 45¢ each into our general organization fund.
(6). Either I or some experienced organizer will come and assist in the ten days canvas of the county,wholly without expense to the local group.
(First,we will canvas the county thoroughly and sign up all who favor substituting cooperation for profiteering. All such signers will pay $1 registration fee;of which the canvaser will keep 50¢ and forward 50¢ to the County Organizer;who will keep 5¢ for each name;put 45¢ into our general organization fund.

(We get 25% to 40% of families,say 1/16 of total population in this first canvas. One of our by-laws provides that no officer or employe shall receive more than the local wages of union carpenters;$6 to $8 a day in rural ~~madgh~~ counties;$11.40 un New York city. But our workers get larger yearly wages,for they may put in full time;while carpenters lose many days during the year).

(7). After the canvas is finished we will organize whatever cooperative societies are needed. We always 'boost' for all existing producer organizations;cooperative societies;trade unions;lodges; churches;farmers' selling associations,etc.,etc.,etc.
(8). Those who can will take stock in the new cooperative societies. Those who cannot buy stock will have their annual cash bonuses applied to the purchase of stock. We have no trouble from lack of capital. There are always many existing businesses which can be transformed into cooperative businesses. We take over first those businesses (see chart) which are most desirable.

All cooperative societies:-

(1). Should pay members substantial cash bonuses. If any business seems unlikely to pay its members a substantial cash bonus ecery year - LEAVE IT ALONE FOR THE PRESENT!

(2). Every cooperative society should put some money into reserve,every year;for enlargements and for emergencies.

(3). Every cooperative society should devote some of its savings to education;organization,etc.,etc., - SOCIAL SERVICES.

14-22-84

As our CULPAC cooperative societies are federated, we must have a uniform basis. As we are democratic, the members can change any rule or by-law at any time. Until changed; each affiliated cooperative society will divide its net savings into three equal parts.

1. One-third of net savings will go to reserve, for enlargements and emergencies;
2. One-third of net savings will go to members as an annual cash bonus;
3. One-third of net savings will be turned over to the County CULPAC League for Social Services; apportiond as the League sees fit (Direct Legislation; County Community Hall; Cooperative Hospital; Education; Organization; Sports; Subsidies to Little Theater; Community Orchestra; etc.; etc.; etc.

(4). The County League (composed of all members of CULPAC in the county) will forward 1/10 of its income to the State League; which will forward 1/10 of its income to the National League; which will forward 1/10 of its incomr to
THE WORLD UNION OF COOPERATIVE LAWMAKERS, PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS

14-22-85

The most striking feature of CULPAC is our quarterly bulletin

TOWN HALL

Each quarter TOWN HALL will contain the reports of 100 to 200 Committees; drafts of proposed laws, etc., etc. Members will send criticisms and suggestions to the chairman of the proper committee; and these suggestions will be used in making the 'report' for the next quarter. Thus CULPAC will deal, not in the usual platitudinous party platform; but in outline drafts for specific laws. In July, before election, we will select all those measures on which we have agreed as to details; have them drafted in legal form; submit them to the voters (of county; state; nation; or World League according to the nature of the proposed measure: voted on (without goint to state legislature or congress);

SEPARATELY (each on its own merits, as we do everywhere except in our 'mad house' system of politics, where we bunch 50 to 250 distinct motions in a party platform; require voters to swallow or reject the whole); and

DIRECTLY, no proxies; no corporation lawyers to emasculate our measures.

This general plan has been in effect in South Dakota for 37 years; in 22 other states for 18 to 35 year. But the old form was so costly that it was very hard to use; and also, being only for state matters, was limited to tax reform; public ownership and related matters.

The new form of Direct Legislation is as much of an improvement over that first crude form as Ford's "V -8", purring along cement highways at 80 miles an hour is better than his first high-wheeled contraption which snorted along rutty dirt roads at EIGHT miles and hour. ***

Our old Direct Legislation literature is as out of date as would be an advertisement of a 1902 model automobile; and our new literature will no be ready for a month or six weeks. But some preliminary work can be done; County Organizers selected; canvasers enrolled.

NO TIME IS TO BE LOST IF WE ARE TO HEAD OFF FASCISM!

I will be pleased to answer questions. I would like this MS. returned - or perhaps you should turn it over to the county organizer you select for the first county; passing it on to others in turn.

With best wishes,

W.H.KAUFMAN.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

June 3, 1935

28-22-41

Mr. W. H. Kaufman
299, R. F. D. #2
Bellingham, Washington

My dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge your letter just as I am leaving on my vacation. I shall read it more carefully this summer.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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October 9, 1935

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Your letter dated September 10 (perhaps incorrectly) was received yesterday. I had heard of the proposed Encyclopedia of the Negro before and it is my opinion that the time is right for such a cooperative enterprise. I am flattered that you wish me to contribute to the encyclopedia. While I have for a long time been interested in the progress of the Negro race, I am by no means an authority on the subject. Of course, as a student of American History with an especial interest in the South, I have naturally had to deal with a great many subjects in which the Negro is involved. As you doubtless know, I wrote my doctoral thesis on the Joint Committee of Fifteen on Reconstruction, and I am fairly familiar with the background of the legislation which was enacted during the reconstruction period and with the administration of those acts.

14-26-76

If you would wish me to do so, I will be quite willing to prepare an article on any or all of the reconstruction legislation affecting the Negro.

When more definite plans have been made for the encyclopedia and you are ready to make assignments of articles, I shall be glad to have you communicate with me again.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

B.B. Kendrick

BBK:EM

B. B. Kendrick

Anglesan (3rd Edition)

6058 Beechwood Ave
Detroit Michigan
February 28, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta Univ; Ga;
My dear Sir:-

I am deeply interested in the article that you read last Sunday night to a group of men at our banquet

Please send me a copy of the article and all other information that is available concerning the principles that it sets forth.

Very truly yours,
Walter A. Fendrich

14-17-1

S N

747 E. Marquette Rd.
Chicago, Ill.
November 21, 1936

Dear Dr. Dubois:

I am very much interested in locating any existent documents related to the life and activities of Thomas Clarkson, and especially to his own papers, with a view to developing a dissertation subject. I am writing you because I thought you might possibly know of some such documents, or of persons who did. Can you be of any assistance to me? I will appreciate greatly whatever information you may or may not be able to give.

14-22-41

My work here goes on quite satisfactorily. I find everybody very helpful, and have no cause whatever to regret my decision to come to the University of Chicago to work for the Ph. D. On the contrary, I have already several reasons to be glad of my choice.

I trust that you have not found the task of meeting classes so arduous this year as to prevent at least one visit to that charming little restaurant where they serve such excellent Sauterne (or is it Rhenish, 1894?). As my part, no doors are slammed in my face at breakfast time (altho' I still manage to get there almost on time), I have no long line to hurdle at dinner, but I miss very much that all too expressive glance that was hurled at me promptly at 7:14:59 A.M., every morning. Still I know the "right people".

Wishing you continued success and good health,

Sincerely yours,

Melvin Kennedy

December 2, 1935

Mr. Melvin D. Kennedy
742 Marquette Road
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Kennedy:

4-27-42

Your letter was a pleasant surprise and I aroused great interest and curiosityby making cryptic remarks about it as I passed the serving table.

The only collection of matter concerning Clarkson is that in the Atlanta University Library which I presume you know about, but in case you do not, I am sending a list which Miss Templeton kindly furnished. If there is anything I can do further, let me know.

I presume you will find further matter concerning Clarkson in the Howard University Library and possibly in the Cornell University library.

I am glad you are enjoying your work and wish you all success. The days of slamming doors are quite past now. We walk into the dining room at almost any time we wish.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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December Twenty Third
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Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Replying to yours of December sixth it is my opinion that the time is come when an encyclopedia in the interest of the Negro Race should be created.

I shall be willing if asked to contribute an article in its formation preferably relative to the medical profession, their schools, hospitals et cetera.

Very truly yours,

John A. Kenney
Medical Director.

JAK:amd.

SOCIALISM means . . . co-operation and community of interests, sympathy . . . in short, the practical application of Christianity to life, and has in it the secret of an orderly and benign reconstruction.
—James Russell Lowell.

THE reason why I am a Socialist comes in just here . . . It is the higher way; it eliminates the motive for a selfish life; it enacts into our everyday living the ethics of Christ's gospel . . . Oh, that I were young again, and it would have my life!
—Frances E. Willard.

WHY am I a Socialist? My answer can be given in one word: Christianity.
—Vida Scudder.

WHAT can I do? I can talk out where others are silent. I can say MAN when others say MONEY.
—Horace Traubel.

SO long as I confine my activities to social service and the blind they compliment me extravagantly . . . But when it comes to a discussion of poverty—and I maintain that it is the result of wrong economics—that the industrial system under which we live is at the root of much of the physical deafness and blindness in the world—that is a different matter.
—Helen Keller.

THE emptiness of ages in his face,
And on his back the burden of the world:
Who made him dead to rapture and despair,
A thing that grieves not and that never hopes,
Stolid and stunned, a brother to the ox?
—Edwin Markham.

ALL things therefore whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you even so do ye also unto them: for this is the law and the prophets.
—*Jesus.*

AND the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and soul; and not one of them said that aught of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things in common . . . and great grace was upon them all.
—Luke.

WHEREFORE my counsel is that we hold fast to the heavenly way and follow after justice and virtue always.
—Plato

THERE are dreadful punishments enacted against thieves, but it were much better to make such good provisions by which every man might be put in a method how to live, and so be preserved from the fatal necessity of stealing and dying for it.
—Sir Thomas More.

WHILE there is a lower class, I am in it;
While there is a criminal element, I am of it;
While there is a soul in jail, I am not free.
—Eugene Victor Debs.

WE shall be faithful though we march with Death
And singing storm the battlements of Wrong,
For life is such a little thing to give.
So we shall fight as long as we have breath—
Love in our hearts, and on our lips a song—
Without you (Freedom) it were better not to live.
—Ralph Chaplin.

OUR ideal of ultimate improvement went far beyond Democracy, and would class us decidedly under the general designation of Socialists.
—John Stuart Mill.

THERE are only two ways today of being really happy—to work for Socialism or to do work worthy of Socialism.
—William Morris.

UNDER the present system capital is everything, man is nothing.
—Horace Greeley.

I am a Socialist because I believe the highest law for mankind is justice . . . and my definition of Socialism is, "The use by every one of his faculties for the common good and the voluntary organization of labor for the equal benefit of all."
—Alfred Russell Wallace.

THE man who is in danger of want, or even in dread of want, is not a free man, and the country which does not guard him against this danger and this dread, or does not assure him the means of livelihood, is not a free country. . . . These philosophers (Socialists) have imagined that all should own the means which form the opportunity and safety of each, and so far no one else has imagined any other way out of the trouble.
—William Dean Howells.

WHY praise the knights of old
And not like them be bold?
Why saint and sage admire
And not from them catch fire?
And why the Stable-born adore
And rob and kill the toiling poor?
—R. T. K.

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123 So Main St.
Kutztown, W. Pa.
Nov. 7, 1935

518 South Walnut St.
West Chester, Pa.

Kerlin, Robert T.

Dear Dr. Du Bois,

On receiving your prospectus of an Encyclopedia of the Negro I jotted down a few ideas on the back of your letter, and, though the subject has come to my mind several times, I have postponed reporting to you. I am much interested. It will be a highly useful publication and it is time for the work to be done. I think Locke's Anthology, The New Negro, affords just a suggestion of the utility of such an encyclopedia. Also the Tuskegee Year Books. Incidentally, I think subscribers should be promised a biennial or triennial supplement which will keep the encyc. up to date. This sup. could be 50 or 100 pages uniform with the orig. publication and as cover provided so that this supplementary volume would look like the rest.

Now as for topics. A provisional table of contents should be made out by the committee and this might be sent out for additions. The anthologies, year Books, histories, Dr. Woodson's Journal of Negro Life & History

will provide the topics – along with the files of the Crisis, Opportunity, etc.

I can't think of any topic I could write on without thinking there are writers more competent than I to deal with it. Of course I am willing to take any topics the committee may think me competent to handle.

14-26-22

Some one should write a magazine article now on the Negro in Recent Novels of White Southerners. I couldn't do it but I know it is an important and timely topic.

This is all too general to be valuable, but I am interested very much.

Sincerely yours,

Robert I. Kerlin.

310 Stuyvesant Avenue
Brooklyn, New York
December 5, 1935

My dear Dr. Du Bois,

A few years ago my husband, Wilfred H. Kerr, wrote an article on "The West Indian and American Negro in New York", which article he submitted to you for an opinion. The Crisis, under your editorship, carried a notice of its coming into print for five consecutive months — September 1932 through January 1933.

Since then he has been wanting to do some

14-22-25

the Crisis Office I was told that you took all manuscripts to Atlanta with you.

Neither Wilfred nor I have forgotten the lovely note which you wrote us just after we were married. We're still hoping that some day you will so honor our home by a visit.

Thanking you for any effort you may make to locate Wilfred's manuscript, I remain

Ever sincerely
Gladys Marshall Kerr

further work on that subject to bring that article up to date. He does not expect, now, to have it used in the Crisis but would appreciate it very much if you would locate it and return it to him. I suggested his sending it to you and therefore feel responsible for its return, hence my writing. Do you think it could be located? He has all of the factual material but would like to get the final typing which he sent you.

An inquiry in

December 10, 1935

Mrs. Gladys Marshall Kerr
310 Stuyvesant Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

14-27-26

My dear Mrs. Kerr:

I am very sorry about your husband's manuscript. I wanted very much to publish it and kept it hoping that I could, but it was rather long and until we could add a few more pages to The Crisis, I was afraid it would encroach upon other features which we had to carry for popular appeal. When I came down here on part-time, I brought some manuscripts with me and left some in New York. I have searched among the manuscripts here and do not find your husband's paper, but I will search again and see if I can find it. If it was left in New York, of course I do not know what disposition was made of it. I do not remember having seen it here, but perhaps I brought it.

I am so sorry if it has been lost, but hoping it is not.

My best regards to you and your husband.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I read with a great deal of interest your letter concerning the Encyclopaedia Of The Negro. I will gladly do what I can to make the venture a success.

I am primarily interested in science. Since receiving your letter, I have thought of many topics upon which I might write, however, I cannot state definitely at this time the exact topic upon which I should like to write.

Hoping to hear from you further about this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. A. Kildare

A. A. Kildare

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14-23-44

GAMMON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 8, 1935

Prof. W.E.B. Du Bois, Ph.D.
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have your favor of November 5 relative to the proposed Encyclopaedia of the Negro. While I do not know just at the moment what contribution I could make, or rather what of the things I might be able to do would be suitable for your project, I shall be glad to cooperate with you and the committee in charge of the affair in what ever way I can. I shall be glad to have you keep me informed of the progress of the project.

Very sincerely yours,

Willis J. King

Willis J. King

WJK:mb

Telegram

Make a carbon for Mrs. Shirley

CHARGE TO ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

14-11-29

April 26, 1935

Mr. H. Liston
Dean, Knoxville College
Knoxville, Tennessee

Miss Prophet and I will arrive by automobile Saturday afternoon

W. E. B. Du Bois

HANS KOHN

Professor of Modern History
SMITH COLLEGE

57 DRYADS GREEN
NORTHAMPTON, MASS.

W

October 9, 1935

Dear Prof. Du Bois,

I received today your letter of September 10 re The Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I am certainly very much interested in the realisation of this important and very timely project. And, as I am very much interested in racial problems and in the problems of „backward" or „colonial" peoples, I shall be glad to contribute some article, — on the general problems of racial conflicts and racial theories or on the political and social problems of „backward peoples" in the age of modern imperialism. My concrete interests center less in America than in Asia and Africa.

14-26-75

Yours sincerely

Hans Kohn

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July 13 - 35

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Professor Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-22-41

Dear Mr. Du Bois:-

I read with interest your article in the June 1935 Current History, about the future of the American Negro.

I can say that I am in full agreement with you and believe as all white men should that the avenues for the negro are blocked by prejudice and a common hatred bred by something that the white man cannot explain. Except that I believe is due to ignorance. Ignorance is the white man foe as well as the negro. So it is mainly left to the individual to make himself something if he has the backbone in him to stand

up and fight for his rights.

That the negro hasnt the brains to develop is fallacy. He has just as much brains as us white men, and should be developed so that his desires would lead him to grasp every bit of experience and knowledge to lead him upward. This starts in the home and could be brought about by stories and songs to reach the heart of the people.

14-22-62

You notice that all radical factions have their spirit songs, I should call them. What they call moral songs to inspire them.

If I had anything to say, I should say that what keeps the negro down is his pacifism. My father respected the negro, and he used to say that the negro must make himself respected, And he has only two ways of doing this, by respectibility and courage to say something and back it up with strength.

I have witnessed several lynchings and the negros would outnumber the whites 2-1 and still fall for their lies. Now a little shooting in return would prevent some of this.

In Miss Ella Maillert new book called the Jukenston Sole you will read where the negro has made himself prominent as experts in agricultural achievements. In Mexico the negro has built several prim foundations. And if a Negro nation within our nation is what he need. I bless his efforts. But I believe that in coordinated effort of us middle whites and the negro would get both classes further.

14-22-63

Yours respectfully

John Koning

Atascadero

California

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

August 30, 1935

Mr. John Korning Tascadero
Atascatero, California

09-22-41

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of July 13 and thank you for your kind words and comments.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

October 16, 1935

W

14-26-49

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I am confident that if you and your colleagues feel that the time has come for an Encyclopedia of the Negro, you are right. You certainly have my best wishes for the undertaking. If an article from me will help, I shall be glad to contribute it, provided there is a subject on which I am genuinely competent. I really am not in the least in a position to speak authoritatively on anything African or concerning the American Negro. However, we can discuss this later. Meanwhile I wish you luck with your undertaking.

Sincerely yours

A. L. Kroeber

ALK/CGC

Glendale Park, Hammond, Indiana

Hedwig S. Kuhn, M. D.

14-25-50

6/28/35

Dear Dr Du Bois

It has been a lomg time since we have had a chat or any form of contact and it seems incredible that months and years should span the intervals that come in the lives of people with similar interests and objectives--but that is the so-called modern civilization. Silence has not meant indifference on part & I have been watching and following what has been going on in the field that you are so tirelessly working.

Please will you inscribe your new book for me, it would mean so much to me to have it that way and to read the copy so linked to me, and have one of your girls at the office forward it to me, the check is enclosed. Mussey's review is splendid and I am quite excited antiscipating reading it.

Things are much better in this section economically altho some of us wonder just what it means, many many people of very modest means are in Europe this summer, everyone has a new car, our bills are being paid, and doctors are the last on the list. Please accept my warmest advance congratulations on your book, and hoping to tell you how much I've enjoyed it, cordially Hedwig S. Kuhn

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

Dr. Hedvig S. Kuhn
Glendale Park
Hammond, Indiana

14-25-49

My dear Dr. Kuhn:

I was so glad to hear from you. I was in Chicago last February and thought of you, but of course, I had lost your address.

I expect to be there next February and hope to see you.

Thank you very much for the check for the book. I shall have it mailed to you this week.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

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January 2, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Spelman College
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

It seems as if my long wished for opportunity to talk with you is about to be realized. I am to be in Atlanta on January 11th for the conference of the women of the Interracial Commission. It will be worth the trip to Atlanta to have chance to talk with you.

I understand that we are to be the guests of Atlanta University. Please reserve some hour during the afternoon so that we can talk alone.

With best wishes for the happiest and most successful of the years so far, I am

Sincerely yours,
Daisy E. Lampkin
Daisy E. Lampkin

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 10, 1935

Mrs. Daisy E. Lampkin
2519 Webster Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My dear Mrs. Lampkin:

I would be very glad if you would have dinner with me Friday night, January 11, if you have no other engagement.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Daisy Lampkin

12-11-15

Jan. 26, 1935.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am so very glad that you accepted the invitation of Mr. Vann to have a column in the Courier. Personally, I am happy to be associated with you again in a mutual enterprise and we of the Courier family and staff feel very fortunate to be the medium through which the people of America can benefit regularly by your opinions and criticisms on world events.

We have missed them very, very much.

I shall be seeing you during late February and early March, as

How do your Senators and Congressmen stand on the Costigan-Wagner Anti-Lynching Bill?
ENDORSED BY THE NATIONAL INFORMATION BUREAU, 215 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

I am going to Atlanta for a member-
ship campaign for the Association.

I have an interesting bit of news
to tell you, just for your ears.

Shall be in Nashville Jan. 30 - Feb 20,
then on to Atlanta.

With sincere regards, and a
hearty welcome to the Connie family,
I am,

Cordially yours,

Daisy E. Lampkin

[Lasker]

Telephone, PLAZA 3-4700 Cable, INPAREL, New York

Encyclopaedia

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AMERICAN COUNCIL
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October 11, 1935

14-26

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Your letter to Mr. Bruno Lasker concerning the Encyclopaedia of the Negro arrives during his absence in the Far East, where he has been for the past year. The date of his return is as yet undecided.

I am certain that he will be especially interested and would, no doubt, be glad to write an article for you. Your letter is being forwarded to him in China and you will probably hear from him direct.

Sincerely yours,

Jeannette Randolph

Jeannette Randolph

THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE.
(UNIVERSITY OF LONDON)

HOUGHTON STREET,
ALDWYCH,
LONDON, W.C.2.

W

13th December, 1935.

Dear Mr. Du Bois,

14-26-18

Your idea of such an Encyclopaedia seems to me admirable. I am not sure that I have any title to speak with authority on these problems, but I will co-operate of course in any way I possibly can.

Yours sincerely,

Harold J. Laski

W

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
BERKELEY

October 14, 1935

Dr. W. E. DuBois
Encyclopaedia of the Negro
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-26-40

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I am very much interested in your communication of September 10, announcing the plans for an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. This project has my approval, and I shall be glad to contribute whatever articles might fall within my province.

I am to remain at the University of California until January, when I resume lecturing at the University of Chicago.

Very sincerely yours,

Harold D. Lasswell

HDL:MH

Harold D. Lasswell

[LASTER COTTAGE]

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 3, 1935

14-29-G5

Mrs. Leah Laster
LASTER COTTAGE
419 Morris Avenue
Spring Lake, New Jersey

My dear Mrs. Laster:

What would you charge to board Mrs. Du Bois and my daughter, Yolande, and my granddaughter, who is two years old? I should like to have them spend from four to six weeks during July and August getting a good rest at your cottage, but there are two difficulties:

1. Mrs. Du Bois does not like to leave home at all.

2. I may not be able to afford it.

At any rate, let me hear from you here at Atlanta University at your leisure.

My best regards to you and Mr. Laster.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

April 6 – 1935.

LASTER COTTAGE
419 MORRIS AVENUE
SPRING LAKE, N. J.

Dr W.E.B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University Atlanta Georgia.

14-20-02

Dear Dr Du Bois,

Yours of April 3rd received always glad to hear from you. Trust You and Yours are well. would be glad to have the members of your family our Guests at anytime you make reservations for Room with Private Bath, I am sure I'll make the rates very reasonable for you for four or six weeks, only I would have to know in time to give your family the room they'd like. I am sure they would be very Comfortable here, and as I know Mrs Du Bois will feel I know what she likes and having her daughter and Grand Child with her it would be very home like to them all and I would do all I could could to make them Comfortable and happy. I'll give you a low figure for the length of time of $4/5, or per week for three. trust this meets your approval please let me hear from you thanking you for all past favors I remain very sincerely Yours Leah W. Laster.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 13, 1935

11-29-104

Mrs. Leah Laster
LASTER COTTAGE
419 Morris Avenue
Spring Lake, New Jersey

My dear Mrs. Laster:

I think your charge is very reasonable indeed, and I am writing to induce the family to go. I will let you know in less than a week. Thank you for your interest.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 24, 1935

14-29-180

Mrs. Loah W. Lester
LASTER COTTAGE
Spring Lake, New Jersey

My dear Mrs. Lester:

Mrs. Du Bois prefers not to come to the seaside during the summer. She thinks that the sea air is not good for her, and also says that a baby in a boarding house is a nuisance. Of course in that latter matter she is partially right. If she changes her mind in June, I shall let you know, but I don't think she will.

At any rate, I hope to come to see you for a day or two during the summer, and I thank you very much for your kind and generous offer.

My best regards to you and Mr. Lester.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

CATHERINE ALLEN LATIMER
355 EASTERN PARKWAY
BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Jan. 24, 1935

Dear Mr.:

I understand you liked the reprints so well you wanted to take them to Atlanta with you, so I tried to get another one and was successful. I am asking Mamma to take it to you today. I hope you will have a very pleasant stay in New York.

Cordially,
Catherine

1-11-41

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 30, 1935

Mrs. Catherine Latimer
New York Public Library
West 135th Street Branch
New York, New York

My dear Catherine:

This will be handed to you by my friend, Mrs. Eva Knox Evans. Mrs. Evans has written a book which has received all praise about Negro children whom she has taught for a long time, but she is utterly upset by the kind of caricature which the illustrator is trying to furnish for the book, and she wants to teach the illustrator a few things.

Can you help her get hold of some colored children, but Mrs. Evans herself will explain what she wants. Do everything you can to help her.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/Dw

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 31, 1935

Mrs. Catherine Latimer
355 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn, New York

14-1-2

My dear Catherine:

Thank you very much for the print which you so kindly sent me. I shall have it framed. I hope your mother is all right and did not eat too much and get too cold on her night out. We certainly enjoyed her coming.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-23-34

THE NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

108 West 135th Street

December 4, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

In answer to your recent letter concerning the Encyclopedia of the Negro, I am writing to say that I am very much interested in the scope of the proposed encyclopedia and I, as a reference librarian have found that there is great need for such a work.

I should be very glad to cooperate in any way that I can. I am very much interested in the fields of biography, history and art, and should like particularly to contribute several biographical sketches. Thank you for asking me.

Very sincerely,

Catherine A. Latimer

CAL/rs

CATHERINE A. LATIMER

LATIN AMERICAN LECTURES CLUB

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General Headquarters
45 Vapor St.
Havana, Cuba.

August 12, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

14-16-19

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Having been approved by his Honor theGovernor of the Province of Havana, the Charter of the Latin American Lectures Club, we take great pleasure in inviting you to become a member of the same.

We are enclosing a booklet about the purpose of the Club and the manner it will be conducted, with an application form duly signed by our President for you to fill in case you accept the invitation extended herewith.

We would consider your membership a flattering attainment in behalf of the worthwhile purpose we are pursuing. Meanwhile I will beg of you to send us a list of persons who would be interested in hearing about this Club.

With anticipated thanks for your kind attention, we are

Sincerely yours,

Eugenio R. Zamora

Secretary.

Latin American

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LATIN AMERICAN LECTURES CLUB

14-16

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LATIN AMERICAN LECTURES CLUB

PREFACE

THE year 1775 marks the beginning of a new era for the American continent, as the British Colonies of this side of the Ocean set themselves free from their mother country. From this moment the United States, as they organized themselves as a nation, began political and commercial relations with the other countries of this continent, still colonies of Spain, relations which have steadily increased thru the years until they have reached the intensity displayed in present times.

South of the Rio Grande are twenty Republics which form socalled Latin America with millions of inhabitants, constituting the most important and natural market of North American commodities; republics which, at the same time, send to the great American Nation the products of their soil. Hence from this exchange of commodities are born the business relations, and resulting from them all the political relations between North

America and Latin America as these colonies became independent.

A consequence of these political and commercial relations existing between the two Americas has been the famous doctrine set by the great American Statesman, Monroe — America for the Americans, — not in the narrow interpretation of America for North Americans, but for all inhabitants of the New World geographically known as the American Continent.

The United States, in the course of time, by virtue of said Monroe Doctrine, and its political relations with the rest of the nations of the American Continent has been the most jealous guardian of the independence of these countries. Thus we see that when these Latin American nations have had any difficulty with some European nation or from another continent, the United States, putting into practice the Monroe Doctrine, has interfered in the dispute, avoiding by it any misunderstanding which might have caused the rupture of diplomatic relations between these Latin American countries and the nations of other continents.

But Latin America has also helped to contribute to keep its relations with the United States in perfect harmony. Latin America has cooperated loyally with the international policy of the United States and thus when in 1917 President Woodrow Wilson declared war on the Central Powers, those Latin American countries in a great majority also declared war, sharing their lot with that of North Am-

erica, placing themselves openly on their side, contributing each in its own measure to the Allied cause.

The economic-political relations just referred and the high standard of culture reached by the United States made large numbers of persons from Latin America flock to their famous colleges and Universities to be educated and instructed, who upon returning to their respective countries spread the knowledge acquired, among the people of these countries, its mannerisms and styles, to the extent in many cases of changing the native customs of many of their own nations for those observed in the United States.

And so it happens that in any of these Latin American Republics the United States is intimately known; its history, its literature, its geography, philosophers, scientists, artists, etc., almost as well, we dare say, as by Americans themselves. The same is not true in North America; its years of independence and vast resources have allowed it to acquire a good cultural average that has made it unnecessary for its sons to go to these young countries to be educated. It is because of this that without doubt the knowledge which the majority of North American citizens have of Latin America is much more limited, although there are many persons in the United States who know Latin America well.

As we face this reality, we understand that business men in particular and every citizen in general, could increase their

knowledge, adding to it more complete information about Latin American countries, since there is no doubt that from this better knowledge would arise positive advantages for a greater commercial development of United States. Its citizens would learn about the unexploited resources and fertile lands of Latin American countries, of the richness of the sub-soil that offers such splendid opportunities as a means of rapid wealth to enterprising men; a Latin America which at the same time affords the visitor the sight of unsurpassed landscapes formed by its imposing mountains, its rivers and picturesque valleys, its forests of dense vegetation and its beautiful beaches bathed by everlasting tropical breezes and splendid and healthful sun.

In the same way they will learn the psychology of the persons living amidst that environment, their virtues, customs, ambitions, their kindness as well as their vices and weakness; in other words, learn to know them and to benefit by the advantages which this intimate and mutual knowledge will supply as the prejudices which this lack of understanding creates between one another disappears.

PURPOSE OF LATIN AMERICAN LECTURES CLUB

To carry to the minds of the American people what Latin America really is, to allow each citizen to know about the countries that form it, the grade of civilization reached by each nation, its

political status, its economic power, its arts and science, etc., without the necessity of an exploration trip to each of these nations and as a result of this greater understanding to creat a greater economic and spiritual standard is the purpose for which the Latin American Lectures Club has been organized.

HOW LATIN AMERICAN LECTURES CLUB INTENDS TO REACH ITS GOAL

The Latin American Lectures Club intends to publish and distribute among its members the best literary works of Latin American writers, selected from among the most famous published, those that best describe every day life on this side of the stage of the American world, in order that from reading them the members of the Club may obtain the necessary knowledge about these countries which we have so vividly described in previous paragraphs.

EFFICIENCY OF THE MEANS SELECTED

The founders of the Latin American Lectures Club have the highest hopes in expecting that this wide spread propaganda of Latin American literature among the citizens of the great North American nation shall be the link among thoughtful persons from Greenland to Patagonia, putting aside all individualist ideas, in order that giving a wonderful example of reciprocity, they may obtain a maxi-

mum of prosperity for the nations comprised in the previously mentioned confines.

It will be up to Literature once more, therefore, with its slow but progressive work which thru the ages has taken the role of illustrating the life of different countries, their traditions, tendencies, in other words, the soul of their people to serve as a vehicle to carry on the idea which we have in mind of spiritually uniting the two Americas for the purpose previously stated.

In the perfomance of its duties, the Latin American Lectures Club will publish periodically, until it reaches a monthly publication, a literary work by Latin American authors, translated into English with due explanatory notes, in order that the reader may know the proper atmosphere, the time and whatever other circumstances may be necessary to be able to appreciate thoroughly the plot of the book.

For the selection of the books to be published and its translation into English we have a very competent personnel of recognized fame.

FORM ADOPTED BY THE LATIN AMERICAN LECTURES CLUB IN ITS ORGANIZATION

The Latin American Lectures Club, organizes itself without any intention of financial return whatsoever. Its founders are stimulated by the idealistic sentiments previously stated; for this reason

it will be formed in a cooperative manner, in order that its members may contribute only the amounts necessary for its maintenance.

SINGLE ENTRANCE FEE

Upon admission as members of the Latin American Lectures Club, the applicants shall pay one single fee of $3.00. The payment of this fee will cover inscription in Club Register, issuance of membership cards, correspondence and publicity reserve fund charges.

For this single fee the members of the Latin American Lectures Club shall receive complete information every time a new book is to be published, in which will be stated the title of the same, name of the author, fame acquired, time and place of plot with a brief synopsis of the theme, number of pages it contains and the price at which members of the Club will get it, in order that the members may have an exact idea of what is offered them and if interested may order a copy reserved for the time it comes out of print.

The price of the works edited by the Club for its members shall be exceedingly reasonable as the only charge will be for printing, copyright, and translation, and a very small additional amount for administrative expenses.

The members of the Latin American Lectures Club are not to feel under obligation of purchasing each of the works published by the Club; they are perfectly at liberty to do so whenever they see fit.

All members of the Latin American Lectures Club have a right to write to the Club soliciting records, information and data of any kind with regard to Spanish American literature, be it concerning works already published by the Club or of any other source.

IMPORTANT

The estatutes of the Latin American Lectures Club have been approved by the Government of the Province of Havana, who according to the laws of Cuba is the competent body.

From this moment, therefore, the Club is authorized to accept membership applications to the same, since due to the cooperative form it has adopted in order that it may have a normal development and may be able to comply fitly with its purpose, it needs an initial membership. For this reason its organization committee begins from this minute its propaganda to seek members to fill the necessary number of associates, and will start receiving applications and fee in order to reach the number of entrance applications necessary as soon as possible.

With this brief explanation, we cordially wish to invite you to join as member of our Latin American Lectures Club by filling the membership application form and returning it at once with the three dollars which have been assigned as fee to become member of the same.

Thank you.

FOUNDER MEMBER

Any person sending application for membership in the Latin American Lectures Club before the 15th of November of the current year shall be considered Founder Member.

Founder Member shall receive with the books they acquire from the Club, a course on Historic Latin American Literature which shall be commenced to be published partially, in periodical booklets since Jannuary 1936, free of charge. This treatise on Historic Latin American Literature will be the most thorough and detailed edited thus far.

Distinguished professors from Havana Institutes, Normal Schools and University, have been working on the same for some time and when finished shall be a real gem for those interested in the literature of Spanish speaking countries of America.

The booklets which shall form this treatise will be published in such a way that will enable the owner to have them bound in book form, compyling a real Cyclopedia which the most exacting man of letters would feel proud to have in his library.

This work will be published in a very limited number, as by so doing, the Latin American Lectures Club, only wishes to stimulate those persons who by their enthusiasm with the initial idea, apply for membership within the indicated period in order to become Founder Members.

MONTALVO Y CARDENAS — GALIANO 52 — HABANA

[ENCLOSURE]

BECOME A FOUNDER MEMBER OF THE "LATIN AMERICAN LECTURES CLUB"

And you will know everything of interest that Spanish American countries enclose, their customs, their life, the beauty of their landscape, their passions, virtues, etc.

Join to-day by filling the blanks found below and enjoy the privileges allowed Founder Members.

Thank you.

Date .....

"LATIN AMERICAN LECTURES CLUB"
P. O. Box 836
Havana, Cuba.

Gentlemen:

Please accept my application of admittance as member of that Club. Enclosed herewith find the sum of three dollars ($3.00) which has been assigned as fee to become member of the same.

Yours respectfully,

.....
Signature of applicant.

Full Name .....

P. O. Address .....

City ..... State .....

Profession .....

Recommended by: Jno D. Travis
Habana, Cuba

Resolution adopted: ..... Date .....

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Full Name .....

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YALE UNIVERSITY

KENNETH SCOTT LATOURETTE
PROFESSOR OF MISSIONS AND ORIENTAL HISTORY

October 14,1935

409 PROSPECT STREET, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

14-26-39

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Thank you for your kind letter of September 10th. It reached me only last week; hence my delay in replying.

I am of course gratified that you should think of me as a possible contributor to the proposed Encyclopedia of the Negro. It will be a pleasure and an honor to contribute if there are topics which fall within the fields in which I have any right to claim competence. I doubt very much whether you will be covering the field dealing with the part of my chair which has to do with Far Eastern history. In the missions end of my chair I might possibly be of use to you, particularly since I am concerned both with missions to Africa and with the spread of Christianity among the Negroes in the Americas.

With every good wish for the success of your undertaking, I am

Faithfully yours,

K. S. Latourette

Adresse télégraphique: NATIONS GENÈVE

SOCIETE DES NATIONS

Dans toute communication portant sur ce sujet prière de rappeler le No. .....
et d'adresser: M. le Secrétaire général de la Société des Nations, Genève.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS

In any further communication on this subject please quote No. M.L. 4. 1935. XII.
and address to: The Secretary-General, League of Nations, Geneva.

Section of International Bureaux.

Geneva, May 15th, 1935.

14-11

Dear Sir,

Since 1921, the Secretariat of the League of Nations has published a "Handbook on International Organisations" containing particulars regarding associations, bureaux, committees, etc., constituted and working on international lines. The last edition was published in 1929 in English. A Supplement containing similar information on organisations not included in the Handbook was issued in 1931. Since that date, numerous organisations have been formed and changes have been made in existing organisations. A new edition of the Handbook is thus required and will be published during 1935, first in French and afterwards in English.

I should therefore be obliged if you would kindly send me before June 15th, 1935, a note on your organisation, giving details, as briefly as possible, on the following points in the form shown on the attached model:

Official title of organisation.
(This title should preferably be given in the official languages of the organisation.)

Seat, address of central office.

Date of foundation.

Object.
(If possible, a copy of the Statutes should be attached to the note.)

Members (Governments or national associations, etc.).
(When possible, add to the list of countries the number of members in each country.)

The Secretary,
Pan-African Congress
69, Fifth Avenue
NEW-YORK

Governing Body.

Officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary).

Finances: (a) budget; (b) sources of income; (c) annual expenditure.

Activities (conferences, periodical congresses, publications, etc.).

Historical facts (foundation, principal features of activity).

Official publications of the organisation.

Other publications giving information on the organisation.

(In order to comply with a suggestion which has often been made to the International Bureaux Section that the notices on the organisations should be completed by a short bibliographical reference, I should be grateful to have the titles of one or two books which, in your opinion, give exact and interesting information on your organisation and its work.)

I enclose a copy of the notice relating to your organisation included in the present Handbook. I should be glad if you would either (1) return it to me approved if no change has occurred or (2) supplement it, if necessary, or (3) draw up a new notice based on the foregoing questionnaire.

Thanking you in advance,

I am,

Yours faithfully,

For the Secretary-General:

Anna Hallsten-Kallia

(Miss Hallsten-Kallia)
Member of the International
Bureaux Section.

PAN-AFRICAN CONGRESS.

CONGRÈS PAN-AFRICAIN.

Seat: New York. 69, Fifth Avenue.

Members: 208 delegates, representing the Bahamas, Barbados, British West Africa, Germany, the Gold Coast, Haiti, India, Liberia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Africa, South America, twenty-three of the States of the United States of America, the Virgin Islands.

Officers: *Chairman and Acting Executive Secretary*—W. E. Burghardt Du Bois (New York).

Activities: The Second Pan-African Congress met in London, Brussels and Paris in 1921; the third met in London in November and at Lisbon in December 1923; and the fourth was held in New York City in 1927.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

June 1, 1935

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS
Section of International Bureaus
Geneva, Switzerland

Sir:

Answering your circular letter of May 15, I beg to say that the official name of the organization to which you refer is: "The Pan-African Congress". The address of the central office is: Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia. The date of foundation is 1919. The object of the organization is to unite for mutual acquaintanceship and concerted action representatives of the various branches of the Negro race in Africa, Asia, Europe and America. The Congress is not a permanent body, except that it has a permanent secretary. It holds from time to time, usually after two or three years, a meeting to which delegates from various countries are present. There will probably be another meeting of the Pan-African Congress in 1936 or 1937. Information concerning Pan-African congresses may be found in THE CRISIS magazine for October, 1927.

The First Pan-African Congress was held in February, 1919, in Paris; the Second Pan-African Congress met in August, 1921, in London, Brussels and Paris, from August 28-September 5, 1921; the Third Pan-African Congress met in London and Lisbon in November, 1923; the Fourth Pan-African Congress met in New York City in August, 1927.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures 2.

14-23-67

The Florida Agricultural & Mechanical College

J R. E. LEE, PRESIDENT

Tallahassee, Florida

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November
26
1935

Dr. W E B DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I wish to assure you that I am in hearty accord with the plans of your committee to publish am Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I shall be glad to cooperate to the extent of my ability in encouraging the committee to realize this very laudable undertaking.

Yours very truly,

JREL:ACB

J R E Lee, President

[LEMOYNE COLLEGE]

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CONSECRATION COURAGE TRUTH

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Division of Languages and Literature
HUGH M. GLOSTER

March 3, 1935

14-18-55

My dear Dr. Du Bois,

It is my desire to order for our library all the books you have written, but I have found difficulty in locating the publishers of your earliest volumes. I wonder if you would be willing to let me know if all your books are now for sale and, if so, where.

Thanking you for any assistance you can render, I am

Cordially,

Hugh M. Gloster

14-27-53.

St Dié-des-Vosges (France)
28 Février 1935

Monsieur,

J'ai l'honneur de vous prier d'accorder toute votre bienveillance à la requête que je me permets de vous adresser aujourd'hui.

Originaire des Antilles Françaises (Guadeloupe) et appartenant comme vous à la race noire, j'exerce actuellement les fonctions de professeur de langues vivantes dans un collège français, à Saint-Dié (Vosges). Je serais très heureux de faire connaître à mes élèves la littérature noire actuelle aux Etats-Unis. Je ne possède malheureusement aucune documentation sur ce sujet, et les librairies françaises auxquelles j'ai écrit n'ont pu me renseigner.

J'ai lu votre nom dans un chapitre d'un ouvrage intitulé

"Les Etats-Unis d'aujourd'hui" par André Siegfried, professeur à l'Ecole libre des Sciences Politiques, à Paris.

Je me permets de faire appel à votre bienveillance et à votre aide, et je recevrai avec une très vive gratitude toute documentation (ouvrages, articles de journaux &c) qui me mette en mesure de faire connaître à mes élèves français la situation et les immenses possibilités intellectuelles de mes frères noirs des Etats-Unis.

Avec mes sincères remercîments anticipés, je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur, mes très respectueuses salutations.

Charles Létang
Licencié lettres - langues Vivantes
Professeur au Collège de Garçons
Saint-Dié-des-Vosges
(France)

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 26, 1935

M. Charles Lêtang
Professor in the College
de Garçons
Saint-Dié-des-Vosges, France

14-27-54

My dear Sir:

I trust you will pardon my delay in answering our letter of February 28. The card was mislaid in my correspondence and I have just come across it.

I am enclosing a list of books in English now in print on the race problem in the United States. I have checked those which are written by persons of Negro descent. All of the books mentioned are authoritative and can be relied upon.

I shall be very glad to serve you in any way that I can.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

23 Rue des Trois Villes 23
Saint-Dié-des-Vosges, France

November 21st 1935

My dear Sir,

I am the coloured Frenchman, teacher of English in a French grammar-school, to whom you were so kind as to send in April a list of books in English on the race problem in the United States. I am going to start an English Club as an outside activity and I think it would be interesting if the members of the club could correspond with some students, schoolboys and schoolgirls of the American universities and high schools for coloured people.

Would you be willing to help me and give me the addresses of some instructors of French or communicate this letter to some headmasters and headmistresses? If you will do this I shall appreciate it so much.

I remain, Dear Sir, with many thanks, yours most sincerely.

Charles Létang

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JUNE 23, 1935

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11-25-86

My Dear Dr Du Bois:

I have read the reviews of your "Black Reconstruction" with great interesting after having met you at American Sociological Society meetings and while I was Commissioner of Correction of New York City and later Founding Commissioner of Institutions and Agencies of N.J.

Shortly before his death my Uncle Clark Braden wrote me that his father Robert Braden, my maternal grandfather, was the original Abolitionist, that in 1837 he introduced a resolution at a political meeting in the Western Reserve of Ohio, not far from Cleveland, declaring it the sense of the meeting that the Negro should be freed. It occurred you may have looked that up and I could get verification of it.

My Uncle was the College Chum of President Garfield and was President of ~~Hiram College~~ Alling-Dow College of the Christian Brotherhood - At

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YOURS VERY SINCERELY,
BURDETTE G. LEWIS,
850 EAST 58th STREET,
CHICAGO Illinois.

The University of Chicago
Department of Pathology

14-23-09

December 14, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Your letter concerning the Encyclopaedia of the Negro arrived while I was in Canada, and am just now able to answer it. I am very enthusiastic about the Encyclopaedia provided that the work is done thoroughly, and I am sure it will be if you have anything to do with it.

As to the possibility of any contribution by me, you can be guided by the fact that I am engaged at present in assembling material for a book which probably will be called "The Biology of the Negro" and will include a resume of the literature and a discussion of what has been seriously written about the anatomical, physiological and medical characteristics of the Negro. I will be glad to accept whatever assignment you may give me in these fields. I would also like to be permitted from time to time to make suggestions for appropriate subjects, and if possible, name the proper person to write on them.

I see no reason why the publication of the Encyclopaedia should be delayed. It will certainly find a wide use not only among our own people who are eager to know the many interesting facts about ourselves, but for all other people for various reasons.

Very sincerely yours,

Julian H. Lewis

JHL/OH.

Julian H. Lewis.

[LIBERIA]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 14, 1935

The Honorable L. A. Grimes
Monrovia, Liberia

Sir:

I have your letter of December 12. In the meantime, I have had some correspondence with Miss Detzer, and we may be able to get a pamphlet published on Liberia without expense, but that will not take the place of the book which I have in mind. I am, therefore, beginning negotiations with a first-class publisher to ascertain the cost of a book about the size of the Firestone volume. I shall try to see how far the publisher would be willing to take a part of the risk and what sum in addition would have to be paid down. I will let you know as soon as I get figures.

In the meantime, I beg to express to you, and His Excellency, the President, my gratification at being able to serve Liberia in any effective way.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[redacted]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

[redacted]

February 27, 1935

The Honorable L. A. Grimes
Monrovia, Liberia

Sir:

I have the enclosed letter from the Macmillan Comoany. You know the Macmillans are one of the most prominent publishing houses in the United States, with English connections. I think without doubt that they will be willing to publish the book if we can make a substantial contribution to the risk. I shall be very glad to know what you think of this, and if it is all right, I am prepared to go ahead this spring so that we can have the book published in the fall.

I have heard of the appointment of Polish advisers. I hope you will keep me posted of developments in Liberia, and especially those having to do with relations with the United States. Do you expect to have representation at the next meeting of the League of Nations?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

[Liberia]

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W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

Republic of Liberia

Department of Public Instruction,

Monrovia.

No.----------

October 10, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.
U.S.A.

Sir,

14-18-56

Professor S. B. Coles of Booker Washington Institute, Kakata, being informed by the undersigned that this Department is very anxious to secure some books for the Public Library under our direction, was kind enough to hand me your name, with the intimation that if we apply to you, you might find yourself in the position to donate to the Library some books that would help us out in our desire to create a reading public in this Country. He was also kind enough to grant us the permission to use his name in this direction for which we are grateful. I have therefore the honor to respectfully ask of you the kind favor of helping us in our Library with some books, such as books on Travel, History, Fiction, Religion, Biographies; Encyclopedeas, and so forth.

I might mention that we have a nucleus of a Library and it has been of immense good in creating and awakening a desire for reading which will, undoubtedly, lead on, if fostered, to a more enlightened and educated public,- a thing which is absolutely necessary in the building up of any country. In view of the relationship between the U.S.A. and Liberia, which dates back to the

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very beginning of this Country. I have no hesitancy in making this request of you, and I hope no doubt that if it is possible, you will help us out in this direction.

Thanking you in advance, and wishing you prosperity,

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. W. Gibson

G. W. Gibson
SECRETARY OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, R.L.

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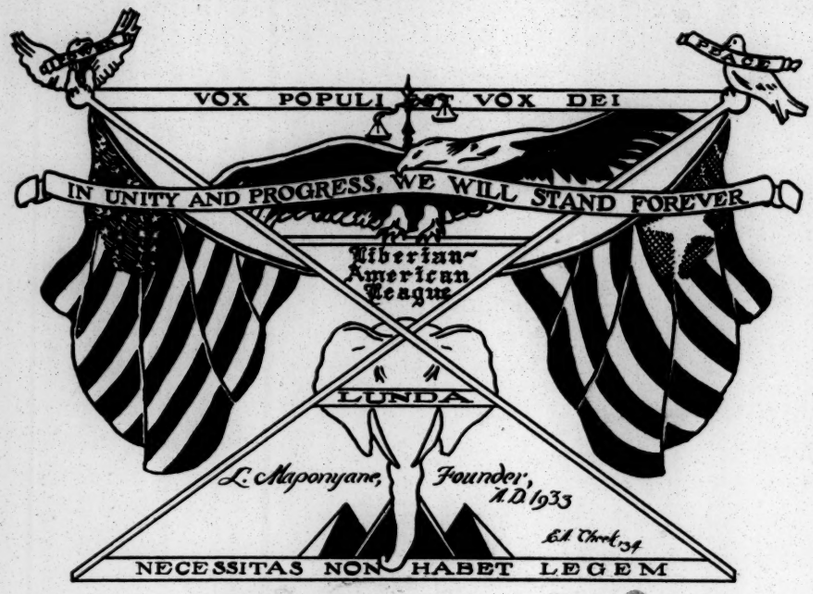

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5017 South State Street
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November 16th, 1935.

14-22-22

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Respected Sir:

I am sure these few words come to you as a supriso, however they will introduce and acquaint you with the organization known as the Liberian-American League, whose aim is the internal development of the Republic of Liberia in an industrial sense.

I have been informed that you are interested in learning of the ideas and prospectives of youthful Afro-Americans, and for that specific reason I am writing you. I have an ardent reader of all of your literary work on subjest of major importance, and I wonder would you be so kind as to give us your candid scholastic opinion on the future possibilities of Afro-Americans in these United States as you observe their present economic and social status.

Or rather, as an intellectual dorminant character for over a decade, just what would you suggest Afro-Americans do, to try and equalize economical social justice? I find it logical for me, a youth, to make such inquiry from a man of your caliber.

We remain,
Sincerely forever,
Louis Maponyane
Louis Maponyane, Nat'l Org'r.

[LIBERIAN-AMERICAN LEAGUE]

November 21, 1935

14-27-23

Mr. Louis Maponyane
5017 South State Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Sir:

You will find my ideas on the future possibilities of Negroes in the United States in Current History for June, 1935.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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October 11, 1935

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Encyclopaedia of the Negro
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-26-83

My dear Mr. Du Bois:

In response to your letter of September 10, may I say that I think it is an appropriate time to go forward with the work on the Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I presume that one of the factors involved is, of course, finance. It seems to me that it will be easier to secure funds for enterprises of this sort during the coming year than it has been at any time during the past three or four years. However, I base my opinion on timeliness on quite another factor, namely the mounting interest in the Negro as an American citizen.

I should also like to give my assistance to your suggestion that I become one of the contributors of the Encyclopaedia, What I should like to do would be an article based upon my address at the Race Relations Institute at Swarthmore of two years ago. At that time I attempted to elaborate the theory about cultural pluralism and to point out especially how it might apply to Negroes in American life. My only doubt about it is the theme turns out to be rather philosophical and a bit abstract. If you think this represents a tone which is slightly out of place in the Encyclopaedia, I shall of course consider some other subject.

With best wishes for your success, I am

Sincerely yours,

E. C. Lindeman

E. C. Lindeman mo.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 14, 1935

President W. J. Trent
Livingston College
Salisbury, North Carolina

My dear President Trent:

I am returning South Monday, January 28, and shall arrive in Salisbury at 7:30 P.M. Would you kindly find me a stopping place? I shall leave the next morning at 11:20 for Atlanta.

I should be under great obligations.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 31, 1935

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President W. J. Trent
Livingston College
Salisbury, North Carolina

My dear President Trent:

I arrived home safely after a very pleasant journey. I want to thank you very much for your hospitality and for the opportunity of meeting members of your faculty and talking to the students.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Howard University
February 1, 1935

MEMORANDUM:

Adult Education Series

Dear Colleague:

Following my verbal invitation, I am inviting you to join in a series of booklets for adult education groups,--White as well as Negro,--made possible by a grant of the Carnegie Corporation through the American Association for Adult Education. These booklets are to be prepared, however, under my general editor-ship, and there is no restriction as to content,--and the sponsoring publication medium will be a committee styled:--Associates in Negro Folk Education,--who will administer the grant.

I am inviting you to write and edit the pamphlet on Social Reconstruction and the Negro. with eager anticipation of your collaboration.

The booklets are to run in attractive format,--size 5 and 1/2 by 8, or 6 by 9,-- and from 96 to 112 pages according to the demands of the subject: that is to say between 27,000 words and 35,000 words,--including bibliographies and a few pages of study outline with topic references.

The flat honorarium per pamphlet has been fixed at $200,--but I shall recommend to the Committee and try to have authorized at least a five or six percent royalty on all sales after the initial printing. I look upon the venture however as primarily an opportunity for legitimate academic publicity,--and as an opportunity also for gaining a much wider public than otherwise possible for competent scholarship on Negro life and culture.

I am suggesting a tentative outline and conference on the assignment in event of your acceptance ~~by the end of February,~~ April and the submission of manuscript by about ~~April 15~~ May 30th, if convenient and possible.

A certain amount of secretarial help can be made available or an allowance therefore at the rates of 50 cents an hour for typing and 75 cents an hour for more expert statistical or bibliographical work. A rough estimate of how many hours of such work you will approximately require ought to come in with your outlined plan, since our budget for this item is limited.

Payment of the honorarium will be made immediately upon the completion and acceptance of the manuscript. Although simplicity of style is desirable, no special curtailment or watering down of material content or subject matter is contemplated.

Alain Locke

49-16-39

MINUTES OF MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 1935 CONTINUED.

Dr. Alain Locke was elected Editor of Publications and Secretary of the Committee.

Mr. Garnet C. Wilkinson was elected Treasurer.

The Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Morse A. Cartwright, of the formation of the Committee and of the acceptance of the grant made available through the American Association for Adult Education by the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

Mr. Locke then presented the tentative plan for the series of syllabi pamphlets and the estimated budget as follows:

1. World Aspects of the Race Problem: Professor Ralph Bunche
2. The Economic Side of the Race Question: Professor Abram Harris
3. The Negro and His Music: Alain Locke
4. The Negro in American Drama: Sterling Brown
5. Social Reconstruction and the Negro: Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
6. The Art of the Negro: Past and Present: Alain Locke
7. The Negro in American Fiction and Poetry: Professor Sterling Brown
8. An Outline of Negro History and Achievement: Dr. Carter G. Woodson
9. Experiments in Negro Adult Education: Eugene Kinckle Jones

Budget estimate-

A. Editorial Assistance and Library Research	$ 800
B. General Editorial Fee	400
C. Editorial Fees (to individual Authors)	
9 Syllabi-Booklets...($200 per syllabus)	1800
D. Balance:-For printing limited supply of above for initial Promotional Use-(Plates to be held by arrangement with publishing press, further distribution to be financed from sale of pamphlets	2240
	$5240

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After discussion, the editorial plan and budget were adopted subject to minor revisions by the Committee. Mr. Jones expressed a desire to be relieved from the editing of the Adult Education pamphlet and Mr. Ira Reid of Atlanta University was proposed and accepted for this item.

It was voted to authorize the incorporation of the Committee in the District of Columbia as a non-profit making body.

That the Treasurer be authorized to select a bank depository for the funds of the Committee, that sums in excess of $25 be disbursed by check on counter signature of Chairman and Treasurer, and that a petty cash fund of $50 be authorized for small expenditures by the Chairman or editor or Secretary.

That a post office box be rented at the Washington Post Office as the business address of the Committee, and official stationery be prepared and ordered.

Prof. Bryson was selected to serve with Dr. Locke as an editorial Committee, with special reference to editorial revision of the manuscripts and the canvassing for agencies of publication. Alternative plans of publication by the Committee and through a publishing house were discussed, with the opinion in favor of the latter plan of publication should it prove feasible.

March 15, 1935

Dear Doctor Du Bois:

The larger audience of the Evening sessions will undoubtedly desire to hear you, - and I trust you will not regard it an imposition if we ask you additionally to speak (if only briefly) at the Evening session of Saturday, April 6th on the topic: Negro Group Alternatives To-Day, as suggested in the enclosed revised program. We will, of course, be under additional obligation to you, and unless there are vociferous protests by return wire, will take it for granted that you will so oblige us.

Under same cover, goes an invitation to join us in another project, which

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fortunately is a little more concretely remunerative. I look forward to discussing this with you on your visit - and hope most sincerely that you will react favorably.

With usual regard,

Sincerely yours,

Alain Locke.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 18, 1935

Mr. Alain Locke
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of March 15 with enclosures has been received. Dr. Du Bois is at present attending an Economic Conference of the Negro in Texas at Prairie View. I am forwarding your letter to him. You will hear directly from him from there.

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

49-16-14

March 23, 1935

Doctor Alain Locke
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Doctor Locke:

Your letter of March 15 has just reached me here where I am doing some special work for about two weeks. I immediately sent you a night letter saying that I did not want to speak but once ~~and that~~ on ~~about~~ the sixth. I shall take a quick pullman to Washington stoppin at Greensboro on the way back so that I will have to speak on the sixth and the seventh and I am sure that I shall do a great deal better ~~after~~ making one speech at Washington instead of two. Please excuse me from the second speech. I do not care when the first speech comes; in fact, I rather prefer the night of the sixth. But that makes no difference.

As I said in my night letter, I shall be glad to supply one of the booklets which you are editing. The subject will be "~~The~~ Reconstruction ~~of~~ the Negro" and the length will be between thirty and thirty-five thousand words.

All of my writings is done through stenographers and subsequently corrected, so I should like as liberal allowance for stenographic help as possible. I suggest that since this notice has come rather late and the booklet could hardly be finished before the middle or the last of June I bring my own secretary when I come to Washington. A fair allowance for her work would be fifty dollars on her salary and twenty-five dollars for her added expense of living in Washington, making a total of seventy-five dollars. I hope this will not be too much to ask.

I shall be glad to hear from you in Atlanta whither I return about the first of April.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/w

W. E. B. DuBois

HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Washington, D. C.

April 17, 1935

Professor W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

First, let me thank you, for myself personally and for the Division of the Social Sciences, for your appreciated participation in our Minorities Problems Conference. The Conference seems to have had reasonable success, and this is so encouraging that we may have another in the Fall.

Thank you also for your letter confirming our plans to meet for conference in Washington. I deeply regret now to find that I must be out of town in New York by or before April 20. I shall be glad to see you there if you are contemplating continuing on to New York. While there, I may be reached in care of the 135th Street Y.M.C.A.

Should we not be able to meet, I am sending you this memorandum re the subject of our conference. We are delighted that you will undertake the booklet and hope to have it at your earliest convenience. However, since I find that the budget will not stand more than $35 or $40 as an additional allowance for secretarial help in its preparation, I suggest leaving it to your decision as to how this may be satisfactorily applied. With some regret, we would be willing to wait until Fall for the submission of the manuscript, although that would entail publishing this booklet in the second rather than the first series. We had not contemplated simultaneous publication of the whole group any way. That arrangement would possibly allow you to use resident secretarial help at Atlanta.

With regrets at missing you if that should be the outcome of this necessary arrangement postponing our meeting of April 20, I am

Sincerely yours,

Alain Locke

49-16-21

Howard University
Washington, D. C.
April 18, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois,

Thank you for your letter just received, but I regret to say that I have already had to write you airmail to Atlanta that I would be out of town in New York over this week-end much to my regret.

Briefly--since you will get that letter eventually, I suggested that our budget will only permit a secretarial allowance of $35 or $40, and that I hope you could manage on that with resident secretarial help. Of course, we might have to wait longer for the completed manuscript, but since in all likelihood the series will be published in two installments, that would not be a terribly inconvenient arrangement.

With deep regrets,

Sincerely yours,
Alain Locke.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 26, 1935

Dr. Alain Locke
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Locke:

I want to suggest a change in the title of my booklet. I should prefer to have it read:

"The Negro and Social Reconstruction"

instead of "Social Reconstruction and the Negro". It makes a slight difference in the point of view.

I trust you have no objection.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

4-16-23

Howard University
Washington, D. C.
April 29, 1935

My dear Dr. DuBois,

I very much enjoyed our breakfast together last Saturday, and write to confirm the agreements we reached at that time. Your letter about the change of title has since come, and of course it is entirely acceptable that you make the change proposed.

Just as soon as you look over your schedule, I will be happy to have your final answer as to the time you will choose for working on the manuscript.

With usual regard,

Sincerely yours,

Alain Locke.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 16, 1935

Mr. Alain Locke
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Locke:

I have laid aside all other work for myself and office and worked on your booklet. The first edition of it is fini hed and I shall have the completed manuscript in your hands not later than June 1.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

49-22-25

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 28, 1935

Dr. Alain Locke
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Locke:

Enclosed is my booklet. There are some elisions in the center of the manuscript and the type of the last few pages is larger than that of the bulk of the work.

Nevertheless, I am afraid that as usual the work is too long. If so, it must of course be cut and I should be glad of any suggestions.

I enclose the bill in accordance with our understanding. My address during the summer will be: 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, New York.

I have put at the end reading notices for each chapter. I have not cited authorities. You mention the matter of topics for study, but I have done nothing about that until I know more nearly just what you want.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DM
Enclosure
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HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

June 4, 1935

My dear Dr. DuBois,

I am acknowledging with appreciation receipt of your manuscript entitled:-Social Reconstruction and the Negro. At cursory glance it looks very interesting and adequate, and I am really glad of its length because that permits an editorial pruning.

I also acknowledge receipt of yourbill for $240.00, $200 as honorarium for the manuscript and $40 for secretarial service. The honararium is really payable on final acceptance, and because considerable possible delay in this, the Executive Committee have,I think, soundly decided to remit half the honorarium on receipt of manuscript, with the other half payable on completion of editorial correction and proof reading by the author.

I am, therefore, certifying to the Treasurer through Eugene Kinckle Jones, Chairman, a voucher for ~~your~~ immediate payment for $140.00.

With deep appreciation of your prompt and helpful cooperation,

Sincerely yours,

Alain Locke.

Alain Locke

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

49-16-27

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 27th, 1935

Dr. Alain Locke
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Locke:

In your letter of June 4th you mentioned that you have certified to the Treasury a voucher of One Hundred and Forty ($140.00) Dollars to be paid to me.

This is simply to remind you that I have not yet received it.

Very sincerely yours,

s Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

49-13-84

October 2, 1935

Mr. Alain Locke
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Locke:

I have heard nothing from you during the summer concerning the booklet and especially my manuscript. Of course Chapters VIII. and IX. in my manuscript will need some revision by reason of the things that have happened since June. If you will let me have the manuscript back, I will return it to you in a very short time.

I shall be glad to know your plans of publication.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DR

[1935]

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Pardon this delay (an oversight) in not sending immediately the enclosed chapters you requested for revision. Needless to say, we shall have to extend the time - since this is not your fault.

Could the frame of reference (namely the new socialization program) be played up as a contrast background for this ~~Contrast~~ attempt to perpetuate the old inequalities?

And could we have this much of the manuscript in duplicate copy?

Thanks.

Alain Locke.

49-16-30

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

October 8, 1935

14-21-5

My dear Dr. DuBois,

I have your recent letter of inquiry calling for suggestions re the Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I am glad plans are again going forward toward a practical revival of the undertaking.

I believe the project more timely than ever, and hope some way will be found to finance it adequately. I would be glad to cooperate in any way as a contributor, or in editorial assistance. My own special fields of interest would be African Art,--the recent developments in Negro music, art and poetry, and possibly some biographical sketches of late or contemporary figures in these fields.

With usual appreciation,

Sincerely yours,

Alain Locke.

October 28, 1935

Mr. Alain Locke
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Locke:

I received the enclosed c apters this morning. I am sending them right back with the few necessary revisions.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

P.S. I'm not quite sure what you mean by the last words of your letter: "Could the frame of reference; namely, "The New Socialization Progra", be played up as a contrasting background for this attempt to perpetuate the old inequality?" This, of course, is what I mean to do. Perhaps it could be emphasized more, or perhaps you will explain further.

WEBD/DW
Enclosures

13-16-31

CROSS REFERENCE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE PRECEDING,

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14-24-14

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 10, 1935

Mr. Rayford Logan
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Logan:

Enclosed is the proposed Creed for young Negroes concerning which I have spoken to you several times. I should be very glad to have you read and criticize it.

I am sending a similar copy to Mr. Reid.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia,
February 16, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I-27-14

I heartily endorse your proposal for a Negro Book-of-the-Year Club. You may count upon me to become a subscriber and to aid in any other way that I can.

I believe that we shall have little difficulty in obtaining a sufficient number of subcribers to justify the endeavor. The principal difficulty that I foresee is the probability that a competent jury of selection will inevitably include the author of the book chosen in most years. We should, in spite of this probability, go ahead.

Very sincerely yours,

Rayford W. Logan

Rayford W. Logan

Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia,
February 16, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-15-16

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have read with great care your revision of "AUPECAN" which eliminates some of my former fundamental objections.

I suggest the following changes.

In paragraph 5, "largely" before "disfranchised peons" and before "disinherited illiterates".

In paragraph 8, a comma after "mass".

In paragraph E, "nationalization" or some similar euphemism in place of "confiscation."

While I do not yet have anything better to offer, the term "AUPECAN" seems colorless.

As a result of an investigation made by my brother of the Federal Agencies for the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, I suggest after paragraph 6 something like this:

> In the current expansion of government agencies Negroes have been denied a faif share of new jobs in Washington, the Southern States are making every effort to maintain the age-old inequalities in salaries for Negroes, and to prevent Negroes from receiving a just share of Federal appropriations.

Consequently, there should be added, perhaps as paragraph B the following:

A proportionate share in all Federal, State, and muncipal positions, with equal salaries, and a proportionate share in the distribution of all public funds.

I shall be pleased to confer with you again about these suggested changes or about any other matters connected with AUPECAN.

Sincerely yours,
Rayford W. Logan
Rayford W. Logan

MEMORANDUM TO MR. LOGAN
FROM DR. DU BOIS

March 14, 1935

Do you know the present address of Bigham, who formerly taught at Atlanta University, and was afterward Assistant to Woodson?

WEBD/DW

Atlanta University

Atlanta, Georgia

April 8, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I regret very much that several inquiries have failed to yield any information as to the present address of Bigham about whom you recently inquired.

Sincerely yours,

Rayford W. Logan

Rayford W. Logan

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

RWL:EID

14-27

Atlanta University

Atlanta, Georgia

April 8, 1935

My dear Dr. DuBois:

14-27-2

Mr. Norman Armour, until recently American Minister to Haiti, wrote me a few days ago that he is to be transferred to another post. ~~He~~ I transmitted the information to Raymond Buell asking him to be alert as to the successor to be named. Mr. Buell asked my advice as to the appointment of a Negro. Hence the enclosed copy of my answer to him.

Sincerely yours,

Rayford W. Logan

Rayford W. Logan

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

RWL:EID

[ENCLOSURE]

Atlanta University

Atlanta, Georgia

April 8, 1935

1+17-13

My dear Dr. Buell:

In reply to your letter of April 3, I would say that I believe it to be advisable to continue the long established custom of sending a Negro as United States Minister to Haiti. I agree entirely with you that only the very best type of Negro should be chosen, and I think that every one will agree that Dr. W. E. B. DuBois would be eminently fitted for the post.

Sincerely yours,

Rayford W. Logan

Dr. Raymond Leslie Buell
Foreign Policy Association
8 West Fortieth Street
New York City, New York

RWL:EID

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 10, 1935

14-27-3

Mr. Rayford Logan
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Logan:

Thank you very much for the kind suggestion that you have made. However, I won't begin packing yet.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[ENC FROM LOGAN?]

Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia,
April 25, 1935.

Dr. Raymond L. Buell,
Biltmore Hotel,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Buell:

1-27-5

I regret very much that I am leaving town Wednesday afternoon for a conference in Waveland, Mississippi, and will not be back until Sunday night. I shall have, therfeore, to forego the pleasure of seeing you and of talking with you about various matters.

Dr. Du Bois will be able to see you Thursday until six o'cock, and possible later.

Mr. Read is also leaving town late Thursday afternoon, but will be glad to see you if you can find time before his departure.

I have explained to both that you will be extremely busy.

For the other matters mentioned in your letter of April 19 I am writing to you in New York.

Sincerely,

RAYFORD W. LOGAN
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

October 10, 1935

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I am very happy to learn from your letter of September tenth that the prospects are good for the publication of the Encyclopaedia of the Negro.

I am quite convinced that we should not delay any longer the publication of an authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro race in the form of an encyclopaedia. I believe there is sufficient demand for such an encyclopaedia to justify its publication.

I should be willing to contribute an article or articles on some subject or subjects to be decided upon later which could be published in the encyclopaedia. I should perhaps be least incompetent to write about the history of Haiti, Cuba, and some of the other Latin-American countries and about the diplomacy of the partitioning of Africa.

I shall be very happy to assist in any way that I can in the furtherance of this project.

Sincerely yours,

Rayford W. Logan

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-21-14

14-24-13

RAYFORD W. LOGAN
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

October 17, 1935.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am sending herewith a copy of The Christian Register with my review of Black Reconstruction. You may keep the copy.

I am also sending copies of the Register with my article, "The Negro Studies Way Some More", and a reply thereto. What do you think of my suggestion in the last paragraph.

Please return these last two issues at your convenience.

Sincerely,
Rayford W. Logan

Dr. D. W. E. Du Bois,
Atlanta University

MEMORANDUM

14-27-8

To: Mr. Logan
From: Dr. Du Bois

I would be glad to come Thursday night, but could not get there until 8:30 as I have a seminar.

October 23, 1935

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Logan
From: Dr. Du Bois

14-27-9

My set of the Journal of Negro History is complete except for the following. Can you secure these for me and at what price?

Volume XII
Volume XVI (of which I have only Number IV.)
Volume XIX (of which I have Numbers I and III.)

(Also, I have complete sets unbound of Volume XVII and XVIII.)

October 29, 1935

WEBD/DW

(File: Logan.)

October 30, 1935.

Dr. Carter G. Woodson,
1538 Ninth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

14-27-10

My dear Dr. Woodson:

Please quote to me at once the total cost of the following delivered to me here:

Journal of Negro History, Vol. XII	5
" " " " , Vol. XVI of which I shall furnish No. IV	4 25
Journal, Vol. XIX of which I shall furnish Nos. I and III	3 50
Binding complete sets of Volumes XVII and XVIII	~~0~~ + 2.
	24 75

Sincerely yours,

Dr. DuBois.

This above is the copy of my letter about the copies you desire.

CGW

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Logan
From: Dr. Du Bois

14-22-11

I am returning your letter from Mr. Woodson. As I figure it, the total cost will be $24.75 plus the two unbound volumes and the three separate numbers. In addition, of course, there will be the cost of carriage each way.

If you will let me know the complete charge, I will send you check.

November 4, 1935

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

P.S. By the way, what are you doing this summer? Could you spare two or three months for work on the Encyclopaedia project? I could not pay much, but I shall probably have some funds in my hands.

Memorandum

To: Dr. Du Bois

From : Mr. Logan

I calculate the price to be rather $17.00, that is, five dollars each for bound volumes of XII, XVI, and XIX, and $1.00 each for binding volumes XVII and XVIII.

14-27-13

If you will have Miss Wilson prepare for mailing your unbound volumes (XVII and XVIII) as though they were coming from me, I shall be glad to place the order. Dr. Woodson will send me the bill and you can then make payment to me.

November 6, 1935.

R.W. Logan

MEMORANDUM

14-27-14

To: Mr. Logan
From: Dr. Du Bois

I have sent the unbound numbers of Volumes XVII and XVIII to Dr. Woodson and also three single numbers from Volumes XVI and XIX.

I shall be glad to pay any charges when the bound volumes arrive.

November 8, 1935

WEBD/DW

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Logan
From: Dr. Du Bois

This is an exceedingly interesting and informing chapter and I think you have done a splendid piece of research. I have put a few notes in the margin, although none of them are of great importance.

With regard to the importance of the Haitian revolution in the United States, compare my "Suppression of the Slave Trade", p. 70, pp. 80-85, pp. 90-92 and pp. 234-246. For instance, on page 19, I have suggested Bryan Edwards' "West Indies", 4th Edition, Volume 4, as a source of a good deal of information concerning Toussaint L'Ouverture; also, T. G. Stewart, "The Haitian Revolution", Crowell, 1914; "Lives of Toussaint", by Saint-Remy and Victor Schoelcher and articles on him by Harriet Martineau, Wendell Phillips and Lamartine.

14-27-15

Whether you would want to notice the other books there or not, I am not sure. They are of secondary importance.

For the sake of the general reader, it would be exceedingly valuable if there were a little more interpretation of the sort that you have on pages 41 and 42. Of course, I know this is a matter of space, but if here and there you can insert a paragraph which will call to the reader's attention briefly the situation, particularly in France and to some extent in England and the United States of the general trend of events, it would help in presenting the details. Perhaps this is not possible, but I suggest it.

Thanks for letting me see this.

December 12, 1935

WEBD/DW
Enclosure

[1935?]

RAYFORD W. LOGAN
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr Du Bois

From: R W L

I had planned to travel in Mexico this summer. If, however, the job on the Encylcopaedia must be done this summer and you think that I can do it, I shall be glad to talk with you about it.

R.W. Logan

21-27-14

14-23-79

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November 29, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I found your letter of November 11, which had miscarried because of old address, awaiting me upon my return from an eight days' stay out of the city. I am tremendously interested in the Encyclopaedia of the Negro, and although admittedly I am not much of a judge, I would suppose that the prospects of better times justify the renewal of your effort.

I shall be glad to contribute a short article as indicated in your letter. My field of special interest is that of test intelligence as it relates particularly to the Negro-White comparisons in the United States. My marginal interests extend into race comparisons from the point of view of psychology in general.

Sincerely yours,

Howard H. Long

Howard H. Long
Assistant Superintendent

HHL/T

YALE UNIVERSITY
GRADUATE SCHOOL

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

28 *Hillhouse Avenue,*
New Haven, Connecticut

October 15, 1935

W

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

14-26-45

In reply to your letter of September 10, I am in entire agreement with you that the time has come for the publication of an encyclopaedia of the Negro such as you describe. Whether or not this is the right time to launch an appeal for funds I do not know.

Not only am I delighted and honored to be on your Board of Directors but I shall be glad to help the project in every possible way. I could, of course, write certain articles myself, and hope to be invited to do so, but possibly my best service would be in some kind of semi-supervisory work where African matters are concerned. I could, for example, put you in touch with the best people in Africa to write on certain topics, help to arrange for a proper distribution of space and work where matters of ~~continental~~ continental significance are concerned, check up on articles where I have special knowledge.

To answer your questions specifically, I believe I could write articles on any or all of the following subjects: (a) Education, (b) Mission Work, (c) Systems of Government, (d) Native Law, (e) The Extent of Public Health Programs.

These are among the subjects which I am teaching at Yale University and concerning which I have to keep myself up-to-date. If this seems a large field to any scientist, let me remind him that where Africa is concerned, the number of students of contemporary affairs is limited, and in my case that my former work was in Africa and that my present occupation in this country gives me a wide range of interests.

Wishing the project every success, and with kind personal regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

Charles T. Loram

Charles T. Loram.

CTL/MH

[LOS ANGELES - CITY SCHOOLS]

UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

The creation of a position in the city schools of Los Angeles to be known as "Special Assistant to the Superintendent" is being considered here. The place is to be filled by a Negro, who will discuss with the Superintendent all policies affecting Negro students.

1430-4

It is desirous to secure the attitudes of a number of leading American Negro educators regarding the value of such a position to the system, including special reference to the social background of Negro students as it relates to their participation in secondary mixed schools.

The Department of Education of the University of Southern California is interested in collecting data of this nature in collaboration with the local Board of Education concerning this position. With your permission your letter will be handed to this Department.

Will you kindly let me have your unbiased opinion in detail on the matter at your earliest convenience?

Please accept my thanks for your cooperation,

Yours very truly,

J. McFarline Ervin
Ass't Supervisor of Attendance
Los Angeles City Schools

3319 Hooper Avenue
Los Angeles, California

January 18, 1935

[Los Angeles City Schools]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 31, 1935

Mr. J. McFarline Ervin
Assistant Supervisor of Attendance
3319 Hooper Avenue
Los Angeles, California

My dear Sir:

Whether or not the appointment of a special assistant to the superintendent to give advice concerning Negro pupils will be a good thing or not depends on two matters:

1. The kind of superintendent which you have.
2. The kind of man that you appoint.

14-30-11

If your superintendent is persuaded that colored children are a liability to be suppressed or gotten rid of, and if in accordance with that idea, he appoints a man whose business is to give him excuses and reasons for doing what he has made up his mind to do, then of course the whole move is going to be disastrous.

On the other hand, if you have in Los Angeles a superintendent or a schoolboard who looks upon children with dark faces as having the same possibilities for the good of the future world that their paler fellows have, and if knowing that these darker children have had difficulties in environment and education it makes their adjustment to the city schools difficult, and if to help him with these problems he gets a colored man of education, manners, and courage, who is going to tell the truth about things, and take pains to find out the truth, then nothing but good can eventually come from such an effort.

I am afraid that so hypothetical an answer to your letter will not do much good, but it is the best that I can do.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBB/DW

The University of Chicago

Department of English

October 7, 1935

14-26-65

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

In reply to your letter in regard to the encyclopedia of the Negro, I may say at once that I am greatly interested in the project and will give any assistance in my power. I am a little doubtful about my ability to contribute anything authoritative on subjects which may be pertinent, but I shall be glad to consider any topics that may be assigned to me.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Robert Morss Lovett

RML:FF

x Robert Morss Lovett

4880 Parker Avenue
Detroit, Michigan
March 4, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I am a junior in college and desire information on the progress of negro education in the United States, on which subject I am to prepare a paper. I would appreciate any data or references, relative to this topic, which you would be kind enough to give me.

I heard your recent lecture at the St. Antoine Street Y. M. C. A. here in Detroit, and found it very instructive and illuminating.

Sincerely,
Victoria McCall

14-3-82

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-3-83

March 8, 1935

Miss Victoria McCall
4880 Parker Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

My dear Madam:

You had best consult the files of "The Journal of Negro Education" published at Howard University. They ought to be in the Public Library.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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Will you please note that my address has been changed from New York City to Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of March 1st, approximately 15,000 copies of your book, THE SOULS OF BLACK FOLK, have been printed since 1903. We cannot tell you the exact amount of royalty paid you during that time as our records only go back to 1930. From 1930 up to the present time you have received $227.90 in royalties.

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We cannot give you any further information but trust the above will be sufficient for your needs.

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Will you kindly send a copy of the "Souls of Black Folk" to:

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Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
226 West 150th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for sending me the pamphlets on "Black Reconstruction" and I shall see they reach my friends who I think would be interested in reading such a marvelous book.

Very truly yours,

Archie McGill

A. McGill

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Dec. 20
1935

December 1935

14-23-17

205 West 115th St
New York City

Prof. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta Un.
Atlanta Ga.

Dear Dr DuBois

Please forgive my not replying before to your letter, but I have been very unsettled and occupied with pressing problems and trying to write at the same time.

Yes, I think that a great Negro Encyclopedia would be of epochal significance and I should be glad to have the privilege of doing an article and if I were to choose a subject it would be preferably Negro Poetry.

Yours Sincerely

Claude McKay

Claude McKay

[Ian MacKay]

City Engineer's Office,
Municipal Buildings,
Nelson.
New Zealand.

11th October 1935

Dr William Edward Burghardt DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta,
Gerogia,
U.S.A.

14-12-58

Dr Doctor,

I am a member of the New History Society and I see in a recent letter that you have been appointed a judge for a forthcoming competition. In the notes it states that you are the author of a book entitled "The Soul of Black Folks".

I think I would be very interested in the book and am writing to see if you would kindly forward me a copy for which I shall remit by return mail.

We in New Zealand are fortunate inasmuch as we do not admit a "coloured problem". The natives of this Country are called Maoris and are certainly not regarded as being inferior to the Whites. I have a Maori working with me in the office and he is the most popular member of the staff. The Maoris elect their own parliamentary representatives to Parliament and are quite contented with life.

I trust that you will be good enough to forward a copy of your book. Should I be able to give you any information concerning conditions in this Country I shall be only too pleased to assist.

Sincerely yours,

Ian K. MacKay

14-11-41

November 21, 1935

Mrs. Ida M. McKay
12 Colden Street
Jersey City, New Jersey

My dear Ida:

I happened to spend a Sunday in Augusta and it was proposed that we drive over to Aiken. I remembered the old town very well and after inquiry, hunted up Miss Briggs. She told me that you were still alive and around, so that I am writing to send greetings. Let me hear from you some time.

With all good wishes

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

File —— McKay

12 Colden St.
Jersey City N.J.
12/18/'35

Rev. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta Univ.
Atlanta, Ga.

84-11-41

My dear Rev. Du Bois:

The most pleasant surprise, I have ever had - was upon being the recipient of your little note of greeting. Many thanks. If possible, let me have a note from you - within the next ten days. Let me want to see to you. etc. Let me know when you are coming east.

Very sincerely yours,

J. M. McKay

14-11-52

Room 204
200 West 135 Street
New York, New York

August 29, 1935

Dr. H. G. MacKerrow
96 Eastern Avenue
Worcester, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. MacKerrow:

This is to remind you of your kind promise to send me directions as to "athlete's foot". I shall be very glad to have it.

I trust you are well and happy after your vacation. I certainly enjoyed mine tremendously and was very glad to make your acquaintance.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 4, 1935

14-24-31

MACMILLAN AND COMPANY
Editorial Department
60 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Recently, two books have been published concerning Liberia. One, by George Schuyler, published by Brewer, Warren and Putnam in 1931, and the other, by James C. Young, published by Doubleday, Doran and Company, 1934.

In my opinion, and in the opinion of many persons who know Liberia, both these books are misleading and that they will hurt a struggling country. The last book, particularly, was undoubtedly financed by the Firestone Company, and was a piece of deliberate propaganda. Gift copies being sent widely throughout the country.

I was with the representative of the Firestone Company in Liberia when the chances of rubber plantations were first investigated, and I have follwed the situation there ever since. Twice, I have published the matter concerning it. Once, in "Foreign Affairs", for April, 1925, and again in "Foreign Affairs", for July, 1933. Other shorter articles have been published elsewhere.

I want now to combine these articles with a general statement of the history of Liberia so as to bring out a book about the size of the Doubleday, Doran book. I want, especially, to interpret the history of Liberia from the economic point of view, and not as has been done hitherto, from the point of view of philanthropy and slavery. Liberia can only be understood as it is envisaged as a part of the imperial expansion of industry, and its failure to achieve economic security and therefore political independence, is due to no racial traits or failures, but to the same forces that have made the small state and the small business almost impossible today throughout the world.

I have the co-operation of the Liberian government in this matter and I am writing to ask you if you would consider such a book. I am aware that its sale would not in all probability warrant the expense of publication, and that, therefore, some contribution to the expense of publication would probably be required.

Undersuch circumstances, would you be interested in a book of this kind, and what proposition would yoube willing to make?

Very sincerely yours

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W. E. B. Du Bois

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February 14, 1935.

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Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 4th. We have been considering carefully the project which you suggest for a book on Liberia from an economic point of view. Your thesis as you outline it is a very interesting one indeed.

Unfortunately, however, the sale which we could probably secure for the book would be very limited, and it would be very difficult to say what sort of an arrangement could be made for its publication, or indeed if it is a book which we would be justified in taking on at all, without seeing the manuscript itself and having an opportunity to estimate a little more carefully its sales possibilities. I should have no question whatsoever as to the excellence or importance of any book which you would write, but the subject might make it very difficult to sell to the general public.

Inasmuch as you are planning to do the book in any case, won't you be good enough to let us see the manuscript as soon as it is ready? I can assure you that it will receive very prompt and sympathetic attention from us and I should then be in a position to tell you much more intelligently what our reaction to the project would be.

Sincerely yours,

James Putnam

Assistant to the President.

AJP.KK

14-11-53

October 14, 1935

The Macmillan Company
60 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

I am head of the Department of Sociology in this institution and curator of the departmental library which has about 2,000 volumes.

I write to ask what would be the lowest cost to us for the Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences? Could partial payments be arranged?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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October 17, 1935

14-11-54

Professor W. E. B. DuBois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Professor DuBois:

Your note of October 14th has been forwarded here from our New York house, since this Atlanta office has charge of all our Macmillan business in the South.

We are very glad indeed to know that you are interested in purchasing a set of the ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES for your departmental library. Beginning the 15th of this month this set of books is offered under a subscription plan, in sets only, at a cash discount of 10% off the list price of $112.50. Cash payment in this case is considered payment for the set in full within ninety days.

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We are also sending a catalogue of other books which we hope may be of interest in connection with your library.

Very truly yours,

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Margaret E Baugh

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December 17, 1935

55-11-41

Professor W. E. B. DuBois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Professor DuBois:

On receiving your inquiry earlier in the fall, we wrote you details of our subscription plan on THE ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES, and sent you two brochures on it. You had written our New York house that you were interested in the Encyclopaedia for your departmental library. We are writing now to express our hope that you will decide to place an order for this.

This is an invaluable work, which may be had only in this set of books, and which will continue pre-eminent in its field for years to come. The enclosed endorsement is only one of many which we have received from the host of subscribers who have already proved the Encyclopaedia's worth.

As we wrote you, we offer a cash discount 10% off list price ($112.50,- cash being considered, in this case, full payment for the set within ninety days. We also offer a time payment plan with payments as follows: $12.50 at the end of the first month and $10.00 a month for the succeeding ten months, making a total of $112.50, net.

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Atlanta University
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September 10, 1935

Professor Basileo de Magalhaes
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

My dear Professor Magalhaes:

About three years ago, a number of persons representing institutions of learning and other organizations, met in Washington and laid tentative plans for publishing an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I am enclosing an abstract from the memorandum which these persons adopted showing in general the plan which they had in mind. The industrial depression naturally halted their plans, but it seems now that the time is ripe for trying to carry this project through. We have not as yet secured the sum necessary for the financing of the Encyclopaedia, but we think that the prospects are good.

I have, therefore, been asked by the Board of Directors to correspond with a number of persons whose interests we want to enlist and to askfor their co-operation.

First, I should be glad to know if you agree with us that the time has come when some authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro race in the form of an Encyclopaedia is in demand; and secondly, I want to ask if you would be willing to contribute a short article or articles on some subject to be decided upon later which could be published in the Encyclopaedia. I would be glad if you would suggest the subjects in which you are interested and which you think would be needed in this publication. All the contributors would, of course, be paid at the usual rates.

All this is tentative and no final and definite plans have yet been adopted, but in this preliminary survey, I hope very much I can be assured of your interest and willingness to co-operate in the way in which I have indicated.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

October 2, 1935

Mr. A. M. Wendell Mallirt
326 Lenox Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Mallirt:

I had a card of introduction to you from Dr. R. W. Bailey of Germantown. I spoke to you on the street, but have not yet received the promised reports and material concerning "Co-operation in Jamaica".

I should be very glad indeed if you could furnish me some such material or could tell me where it can be obtained? I want to know the history of "Co-operation in Jamaica" and especially its success during the current depression.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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WEST INDIAN AFFAIRS
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New York, N. Y.
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October 14, 1935

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

In acknowledging receipt of your letter of October 2 in reference to supplying you with material relative to the co-operative movement in Jamaica, I must express my deep regret that owing to weeks of illness it was not possible for me to have given the matter my attention before this.

The co-operative movement in Jamaica is co-operation of a loose kind. We have co-operation in the banana industry, represented by the Jamaica Banana Producers' Association; and the other branches of the agricultural industry have their own co-operative organizations. I suggest, therefore, that you write to The Hon. Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretary's Office, Headquarter House, Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I., and explain in detail the information you desire. You should also communicate with The Secretary, Jamaica Agricultural Society, Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I. and The Secretary, Jamaica Banana Producers' Association, Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I.

I have always found the office of the Colonial Secretary of Jamaica very courteous and obliging; and I am confident that the organizations named above will supply the information you desire more fully than I am competent to do.

If I can be of further assistance to you, please command my services.

With the assurance of my highest consideration, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

A. M. WENDELL MALLIET

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-21-37

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter under date of 10th ult., relative to the Encyclopedia Of The Negro, first I must apoligize for such long delay, which was due to the constant touring that I must do to keep my programs going throughout the states.

It has also occurred to me that this may be the time for a Negro Encyclopedia, something that we can get the facts about our Industries, what they have done, what they are doing etc., because there has been such a tremendous growth since our independence until it will take volumes to tell about it.

Concerning articles, I should be interested in the subjects as follows:

BEAUTY CULTURE, and
WOMAN IN BUSINESS.

Thanks very kindly for your letter, I am

Sincerely yours,
Annie Malone

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14-23-28

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Prof. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

This is to acknowledge with thanks your communication of November 15th setting forth the proposed project of an encyclopedia of the Negro.

I wish to indicate my interest in the proposition, and my willingness to cooperate to the best of my ability in its realization.

As suggested topics I would be particularly interested in experimental biology, experimental medicine and significant contributions made by the Negro in modern medicine and surgery.

Very sincerely yours,

A H Maloney.

A. H. Maloney, Ph.D., M.D., Head
Department of Pharmacology

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November 6, 1935

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Du Bois:

I am greatly interested in your letter of November 1 concerning the proposed Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I had heard this proposal discussed somewhat by your associates. It seems to me very much worth doing and I hope that your directors will now find it possible to proceed. The time should be propitious for the preparation of an exceedingly important historical document.

I am not myself a specialist in any problems affecting the Negro and I do not think, therefore, that I would be qualified to make a contribution to the Encyclopaedia.

Yours sincerely,

A. R. Mann

A. R. Mann
Provost

12-22-41

Florida A. & M. College
Tallahassee, Florida
April 5, 1935

Mr. W. E. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

19-27-41

My dear Mr. DuBois:

I am seeking information on the subject, "The Relation of the Homestead Project to the Rural Life of the Negro".

If you have any such information, or if you can direct me to some other source where this information can be obtained, I am thanking you in advance for such information.

Yours truly,
Claud Marion
Claud Marion

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-20-15

April 24, 1936

Mr. Cloud Morion
FLORIDA A. & M. COLLEGE
Tallahassee, Florida

My dear Sir:

I do not know, outside the Departments at Washington, of any authoritative information concerning the relation of the Homestead Project to the rural life of the Negro.

I am sorry not to be able to help you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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November 6, 1935

Dean of the Graduate School
Massachusetts Institute of
Technology

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Dear Sir:

You recently gave the degree of Doctor of Philosophy to Marron Fort. Could I trouble you to give me his present address, if you have it?

I shall be under obligations.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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14-23-78

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November 29, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter concerning an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. In my opinion such a publication will be of the same value to the Negro as a similar work is to the Jewish race, obviously a defense against ignorance, indifference and misrepresentation. As outlined it will be a contribution to human knowledge.

I shall be glad to contribute to this Encyclopaedia. My chief interests lie naturally within the field of my academic training, the Latin languages, in philological and literary studies of the Negro in contact with the Romance languages and literatures.

I hope the venture may be as fruitful of results as was the famous French Encyclopaedia of the eighteenth century in the spread of liberal ideas.

Sincerely yours,

John F. Matheus

John F. Matheus

[Enc. From Matney]

226 W 150 Street
New York, N. Y.
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Prof. Matney
Bluefield Institute
Bluefield, W. Va.

Dear Prof. Matney:

The enclosed article will give you some idea of what some of us aretrying to do along cooperative lines.

At a recent conference held at the farm it was suggested that it might be desirable to have a Workers School there. Just at present such a school would be too ambitious an undertaking but the plan of a two weeks institute during the sumer might be developed. The plan is still tentative with the details quite undeveloped. We are trying to find one of two persons to give courses.. .only two will be offered...a study of the cooperative movement...a combination history and economics course in outlining present day society together with recreation of a group character mainly.

We should be glad to have you give the study of the cooperative movement. How much we can afford to pay is to be determined largely by the response we have for attendance at the institution. However we would be glad to have some idea of your charge. As I wrote before the plans are still tentative and may not materialize as we hope. The time for the institute is from July 15--29. Would that be a convenient time for you?

Very truly yours,

Layle Lane

14-22-58

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~~Pittsburgh~~ Scranton, Pa.,
July 15, 1935.

Mr. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois,
c/o The Bureau of Educational Research,
Howard University,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

14-33-86

I wish to tell you how much I enjoyed reading your article: "Does the Negro Need Separate Schools?", which appears in the current number of "The Journal of Negro Education." Your article is a masterpiece of sound reasoning, good sense, and superb diction. You say many things which the members of the Negro race should comprehend, well consider, and act upon. You wisely counsel them to believe in their own power and ability and to cultivate their innate qualities. You rise to the level of statesmanship when you write: "What he [the Negro] needs more than separate schools is a firm and unshakable belief that twelve million American Negroes have the inborn capacity to accomplish just as much as any nation of twelve million anywhere in the world ever accomplished, and that this is not because they are Negroes but because they are human." Your summing up, or closing, paragraph is the quintessence of wisdom.

You possess that practical sense of realism which every person must have if he is going to make any worth-while contribution to the solution of present day problems, whether these problems be racial, social, economic, or political. As Spengler says in substance in his comments on Bismarck: "The highest art of statesmanship is the art of the possible."

With best wishes,

Very truly yours,

George W. Maxey.

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14-31-12

October 18, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I was very much interested to hear of your plan for publishing an Encyclopedia of the Negro. I enthusiastically agree that the time is ripe for such a project.

I should be very glad to help in any way that I can. I am in no way an authority on any aspect of the Negro question, unless you intend to include such Oceanic peoples as have a probable very old Negroid strain in their racial constitution. In that case of course I would be glad to do something for you on Melanesia.

With very best wishes for the success of your undertaking,

Sincerely,
Margaret Mead.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

mm:bg

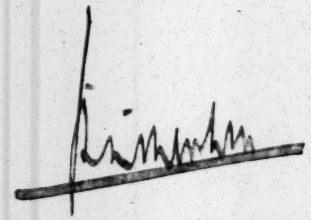
H. L. MENCKEN
704 CATHEDRAL ST.
BALTIMORE

October 15, 1935.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I think an encyclopaedia of the Negro is badly needed, and that the time for doing it is as soon as possible. Unluckily, I'd hesitate to offer to contribute to it. I am, of course, interested in the subject, but I know of no detail of it in which the information of other men is not greater than my own. I suggest that if possible it ought to be done principally by Negroes - indeed, it would be best if it could be done wholly by Negroes.

Sincerely yours,



KELLY MILLER
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Oct. 28, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

In response to your favor concerning the status of the proposed Negro Encyclopedia, I can only say that of course you should proceed with the project provided the funds are forthcoming.

Yours truly,

Kelly Miller
Kelly Miller

14-21-44

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Oct. 31, 1935

Prof. W.E.B. DuBois

Atlanta University

Dear Professor DuBois:

09-92-41

I am in full agreement with you and the Committee as to the desirability of bringing out an Encyclopaedia of the Negro, and I shall be delighted to help in any way possible. I have tried to learn something of Negro slavery in this country, and of the place of the Negro in the industrial reconstruction of the South after the Civil War. Perhaps I might be of service in connection with the articles on some of the leading writers--Olmsted, Cairnes, Dew, DeBow, etc.

You know better than I about the method of organizing and editing such a work, but my experience as writer for four or five dictionaries and encyclopaedias suggests that a permanent central staff of competent people is essential, especially where most of the articles are to be brief. Many must be written "in the office." The pay of two cents a word is enough to stimulate the sense of scientific responsibility where the articles will bring in even fifteen or twenty dollars, but four or five or ten dollars is not enough reward for the work, and often, of course, the shorter the piece, the longer the inquiry

necessary. This was a complaint against the Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences.

Please let me know of the progress of your plans, and of any help I may be able to give.

Yours sincerely,

Broadus Mitchell

Broadus Mitchell

14-31-32

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BERNICE WIEDEMANN, Librarian

Harrisburg, Illinois

December 30, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

We feel a little timid in approaching you with this idea, but we feel that perhaps it is not a bad one and have been encouraged a little. After some investigations prompted by repeated calls in our own small library, we have begun preparing a volume of short biographies of Famous Negroes of the World. The book will be one of reference in an informal style.

The chief question in the early stages of preparation of such a work is who shall be included, who eliminated. The aim is to include only those names that would legitimately be included in such a list as that indicated by the title. We should like very much to have your private opinion on the list of names which we have compiled. We should like to send it to you for you to check, indicating the most important, less important, and those possibly not worth including at all. Would you be willing to do that? Anything which you may care to say will be in strict confidence.

We should also like to know whether you think the people finally decided upon and who are still living might consent to answer letters sent to them personally, asking for interesting incidents in their lives. We hope that the book might find great use in schools and libraries and want to avoid the dry-as-sawdust manner so often incorporated in reference books. The H. W. Wilson Company has used this direct method very satisfactorily in their books of authors. There are many Negroes whose lives have been extensively treated so that material will be easily available, but there are many about whom even bare facts of birth and education are hard to find.

We should very much appreciate your consideration and answer. A self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed if you care to use it.

Yours truly,

Bernice Wiedemann

Librarian.

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THE EDITOR

October 30, 1935

W

Dear Mr. Du Bois:

I want to thank you for your recent letter with reference to the plans for an Encyclopedia of the Negro.

14-26-59

The project sounds most interesting and I appreciate your invitation to contribute to the volume. I am afraid, however, that my editorial duties will leave little time for the preparation of any manuscripts aside from my regular editorial contributions to TODAY.

With best wishes for the success of your undertaking, I am

Cordially yours,

Raymond Moley

W.E.B. Du Bois, Esquire
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Shiloh Baptist Church

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

RESIDENCE: 7 PLINY STREET

THE PASTOR'S STUDY

October tenth
1935

14-27-30

Dear Dr. Bubois;

Please send me the name of the most approved text book or material for teaching Negro History. Also kindly include cost for same and where available.

Very sincerely yours,

R.A.Moody

Dr. W.E.B.Dubois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

October 23, 1935

Mr. R. A. Moody
7 Pliny Street
Hartford, Connecticut

My dear Sir:

I-27-22

I trust you will pardon my delay in answering your letter of October 10. The following books would be excellent for teaching Negro history:

Brawley's, "The History of the American Negro", third edition, Macmillan, 511 pages.

Woodson, "The Negro in Our History", fourth edition, The Associated Publishers, Washington, D. C., 613 pages.

Du Bois, "The Negro", Home University Library, Henry Holt and Company, 256 pages.

(The older standard work is: Williams' "History of the Negro Race", Putnams, two volumes, about 1,000 pages in all. This was published in 1882.)

Those are all the histories for general classes and not, of course, for trained students. For them monographic material would have to be used.

Very sincerely yours

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W. E. B. Du Bois

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

MOREHOUSE COLLEGE

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 1, 1935

My dear Friends:

Rev. Alfred C. Williams of Detroit, Michigan will deliver the main address at the celebration of the founding of Morehouse College on Sunday afternoon, February 17th, at 3 o'clock in Sale Hall chapel. This anniversary will be very significant in the history of Morehouse. Not only does it represent sixty-eight years of constructive work done for and among Negroes, but it marks the completion of a $600,000.00 campaign, thereby increasing the endowment of the college to $920,000.00.

On Monday night, February 18th, at 7:30 o'clock, the Morehouse College Alumni and citizens will celebrate the completion of the $600,000.00 drive, and will honor Dr. Samuel Howard Archer, President of Morehouse, with a banquet for his thirty years of unselfish service as teacher, Dean and President of Morehouse College. You are cordially invited to be present at both of these affairs.

The banquet will be held in the dining room of Atlanta University. Reservations have been made for only two hundred (200) guests at $1.00 for the plate. If you wish reservations for the banquet, please telephone Mr. F. C. Gassett at Main 4200 or Mr. P. M. Davis at Main 6700 and tickets will be sent.

Yours truly

P. M. Davis

President Morehouse College
Alumni Association

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UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

MOREHOUSE COLLEGE

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

November 12, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

May I thank you, on behalf of the College and personally, for the stimulating and thought provoking lecture which you gave us on November 8, 1935.

Yours sincerely,

B. R. Brazeal

B. R. Brazeal

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October 31, 1935.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Accept my apology, please, for not having answered earlier your communication with respect to the proposed publication of Encyclopedia of the Negro. I was on my vacation at the time your letter was delivered.

You may be assured of my full cooperation in carrying out this project which I regard as distinctly worthwhile. I will undertake in connection with it any task you set for me.

With warmest personal regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

F.Q. Morton

[Morton]

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February 7, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
N. A. A. C. P.
694 Fifth Ave.,
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have been offered a position as director of a Negro Congregational highschool near Birmingham, Alabama.. The personnel of the organization in charge of this school have come to the conclusion that the only way out of our present educational chaos is through the development of the folk school idea, properly adapted to American and local soil. I am in hearty accord with this idea, believing that it holds for all racial and national groups, regardless of who or what they may be. It is for this reason that the whole idea is so challenging to me. Had the offer been made in connection with a white school my immediate question would have been, "When does the next train leave!"

My question now is whether any white person, regardless of training and background has a right today to go into such a position. I have always believed very strongly that is is wrong to do so, so I am writing you, asking for a very frank expression of your opinion. I am fully aware that there are very few persons of any national or racial background trained to do this sort of thing at present, but I am not sure that justifies taking a position which by rights belongs to someone else.

If it will make your answer any the easier , or perhaps to save unnecessary correspondence I am taking the privilege of submitting the following facts about myself. I am thirty-four years old, have my A. B. degree from Denver University, and my M. A. from the University of Chicago. My majors were in Sociology, Social Ethics, and Bible. My master's thesis was a study of the folk-school movement. I have taught in the public schools of Colorado for four years. For the past nine I have been in religious work in various parts of the country. For five years I was assistant to the Rev. A. A. Heist, at Grace Church, Denver. I think you probably know something of the

of that church and of Mr. Heist. I, personally, am not an agitator-propagandist, though I am whole-heartedly in sympathy with the principles and ideals for which such a group stands. Perhaps the fact that my work has always taken more of an educational approach explains why Mr. Heist and I could work together in genuine harmony for five years. I tell you this merely because I think you ought to know pretty well my outlook on life.

I spent the winter of 1932 at Ashland Folk School, Grant, Michigan. My work has given me other types of experience, but perhaps what I have mentioned bears most directly on the problem before me.

As I said before, as far as I am concerned, the folk school idea is the only way out for America, for our present school system is as competitive as our economic system. I would like very much to go into some community where I could set up a folk school, gradually working out into the community in public health work, in lifting the general cultural and educational standards, and with the hope that eventually cooperatives might spring up in that community and that improved agricultural conditions would combine to undermine the capitalistic system. Such a school plan would not only bring a new day for us economically, but rightly conceived, ought to help us get ready to move over into the "promised land" when the time comes.

I have absolutely no southern background. I was born in the west where I have always lived until four years ago. I have never been farther south than Chicago! While I have always been keenly interested in race problems I have never been in the thick of a racial disturbance.

Apparently the Congregational Church is completely sold to the idea of keeping what they term "bi-racial" faculties. It is a principle which I question, in fact, have disapproved of. You, perhaps, are much better acquainted with this policy than am I, so I am asking for your opinion in the whole matter. I shall appreciate a frank reply, and will treat the matter confidentially. I would appreciate your regarding this letter as such, also.

Sincerely,

Ruth A. Morton

Ruth A. Morton

3-19-41

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 14, 1935

Miss Ruth A. Morton
METHODIST BOARD OF EDUCATION
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Miss Morton:

Your letter is a difficult one to answer. I have often said that in the United States the only place today where colored and white people live on terms of equality and real acquaintanceship is in the Southern schools where there are white and colored teachers. At the same time, the problem of a mixed faculty in a Southern school has grown increasingly difficult.

When I was a student at Fisk University, nearly fifty years ago, the situation was simpler. The teachers were nearly all white--there was but one colored male teacher with the faculty--and formed a community by themselves, having no social intercourse with the white city, and living on terms of complete equality with the colored students. Today, such a situation is not possible. In the first place, there must be a large number of colored teachers in any faculty of the sort, and probably they will form the majority. This leaves a small number of white teachers. They will probably have some social connections in the white city which brings in a further complication. The white city friends will not wish to meet their colored faculty friends. The colored faculty friends will not be at all sure of their social standing with the white members of the faculty. The students will not be altogether certain about either.

This makes the social complications of a mixed faculty today at Fisk, Atlanta University, Talladega, and elsewhere, a little difficult. It can be worked out, but usually the real difficulties are not presented to the new teacher when she comes, and she has to flounder a good while before she finds herself. Perhaps by that time irremediable mistakes have been made.

Then there is another set of difficulties. If you should go into a Southern city as principal of a colored school and try to link up the school with the community, you would run into every Southern prejudice concerning community control. There would be the grave question as to how far you would get co-operation of the civil officers, and how far you could share public funds. On the other hand, if a colored man should go into that situation, there would be the same difficulty with the probability that he would submit to an unequal distribution of the funds and control of his work for the sake of holding his job.

And there you have it.

Miss Ruth A. Morton 2-14-35

I do not know what to advise you and could not give you really valuable advice unless I knew you better personally and knew the situation where you were going. I should think that a man like Mr. Brownlee would be able to give you pretty sensible advice. He knows the difficulties which I have mentioned.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Encyclopedia

October 11, 1935

Dr. R. R. Moton
Tuskegee Institute
Tuskegee, Alabama

My dear Dr. Moton:

I have about given up the hope of any opportunity to talk to you and therefore taking up one matter by letter that I have long wanted to discuss.

You remember that we are trying to revive the Encyclopaedia project. On paper with this heading, I have been working on a list of persons and have written to about 156. Replies are coming in and I am enclosing the first digest.

The immediate matter that I am interested in is to try to get the FWA to finance a preliminary survey of the Encyclopaedia project. Enclosed is a copy of a letter which I sent Alsberg who is at the head of the Writers' project. Can you not help in this matter? Can you write Alsberg and more especially is it possible for you to get in touch with Roosevelt. Everything seems to be in chaos in Washington just now and all matters are being referred to Roosevelt and Ickes and Hopkins are with him. I have written George Foster Peabody.

If there is anything you can do, please do it and let me hear from you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosures 2.

[MOTON]

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Capahosic, Va.
October 23, 1935

14-21-45

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Dr. Moton has asked me to write you that his recent illness has prevented his giving consideration to your letter of September 10th. He is better now and as soon as possible will correspond with you in regard to same.

Very sincerely yours,

F. D. Patterson, President,
Tuskegee Institute

[Moton]

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TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, ALABAMA

Capahosic, Va.
October 28, 1935

14-14-7

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I regret very much to advise that it will be further delay in making answer to your letter of October 11th, addressed to Dr. Moton, since his health does not permit him to give this important matter his personal attention at this time. Rest assure, however, that it will be promptly brought to his attention.

Very truly yours,

William H. Carter

William H. Carter

For Dr. Moton

WHC/s

[MOTON] Moton

October 31, 1935

Mr. William H. Carter
C/O Dr. R. R. Moton
Capahosic, Virginia

14-14-8

My dear Mr. Carter:

I'm very sorry to hear of Dr. Moton's illness and hope that this will find him decidedly better.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-11

February 4, 1935

Mr. H. S. Murphy
275 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Murphy:

1. What would you charge to print me 250 copies of the enclosed blank?

2. What would it cost to have a plate made of the enclosed blank from which copies could be printed off from time to time?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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February 7, 1935

Mr. H. S. Murphy
275 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Murphy:

Will you kindly print me 250 copies of the blank which I sent you, and let me have them as soon as possible.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 26, 1935

Mr. H. S. Murphy
275 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Murphy:

Will you give me a price for printing 100 copies of the enclosed circular?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

(2.)

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 11, 1935

Mr. H. S. Murphy
275 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Murphy:

Go ahead with the circular that I sent you. Print 200 copies. Let me see the proof before you actually run it off.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-23-48

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

November 12, 1935

My dear Doctor DuBois:

I have received your letter of November 5, 1935, with reference to the proposed Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I can readily see the value and helpfulness of such a publication.

As you know, my chief interest is Science, and I certainly think that some section of the Encyclopaedia should be devoted to the Negro in this field.

With reference to my willingness to contribute a short article or articles, I wish to express the opinion that this might better be done by someone who has made a more intensive study of the Negro in Science. Dr. Samuel Wood Geiser, for example, has made such a study over a period of years, and has published some of his findings. I enclose a copy of his article which appeared in Opportunity Magazine; you have probably seen it.

Sincerely yours

S. M. Nabrit

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta
Georgia

Enclosure

[NACIREMA CLUB, INC.]
Telephone Garfield 0463 6118 Thirtieth Street
DETROIT, MICH.

(answer.)

January 28,1935.

Dr.W.E.B.DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta,Georgia.

Dear Doctor;

15-12-74

We wish to provide for ourselves a library,of books written by members of the race as well as some written about the race by members of the other group, that will be not only a source of accurate information;but also a reflection of the race's literary contributions to culture.

Will you send me at your earliest convenience,a complete list of books that you have written,their prices and the sources where they may be purchased?

Sincerely Yours,
Nacirema Club Inc.
Robert C. Fletcher
Corresponding Secretary.

REF/RW.

[Nacirema Club]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 7, 1935

Mr. Robert E. Fletcher
NACIREMA CLUB, Inc.
6118 Thirtieth Street
Detroit, Michigan

15-12-25

My dear Sir:

The following books have been written by Dr. Du Bois. I have quoted the prices of a few of them.

"Suppression of the African Slave Trade", Harvard Historical Monographs, No. 1., Longmans Green, 1896..($2.00).

"The Philadelphia Negro", Publications of the University of Pennsylvania, Series in Political Economy and Public Law, No. 14., Ginn and Company, 1899.

"The Souls of Black Folk", A.C. McClurg and Company, 1903. ($2.50) (Out of Print.)

"John Brown", CRISIS Biographies, Jacobs, 1909.

"The Negro", Home University Library, No. 91, Henry Holt and Company, 1915.

"Darkwater", Harcourt, Brace and Company, 1920. ($2.25).

"The Gift of Black Folk", Knights of Columbus, Racial Contribution Series, The Stratford Company, 1924.

"Dark Princess", Harcourt, Brace and Company, 1934. ($2.00).

"Black Reconstruction", Harcourt, Brace and Company, 1935. (Probable price...$4.50)

Editor of the Atlanta University Publications, 17 Reports, 1897-1914.

"The Quest of the Silver Fleece", A.C. McClurg and Company, 1911. (Out of print.)

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

The Nation

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OSWALD GARRISON VILLARD

January 2, 1935.

14-27

Dear Mr. Du Bois:

I am sorry, but we do not have the name of Wilton Agnew Barrett in our files, and no one here seems to have heard of him.

Sincerely,

Miriam Goldberg

Miriam Goldberg

Mr. W.E.B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

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February 11, 1935.

14-3-10

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of February 4 which I am passing on to the editor in charge of our correspondence columns.

Sincerely yours,

Caroline Whiting

Editorial Secretary.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 16, 1935

14-3-11

Publisher of
THE NATION
20 Vesey Street
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

I have not received my copy of THE NATION for May 15. Will you kindly see that I get it?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-24-15

May 29, 1935

The Editor of THE NATION
20 Vesey Street
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

Enclosed is a manuscript which you may be able to use. If it is not available, please return it to me at 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, New York. Return postage is enclosed.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

Nation

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 27th, 1935

14-3-12

To the Publisher
New York NATION
20 Vesey Street
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Will you kindly change the address of my copy of the NATION from:

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Atlanta, Georgia

to:

226 West 150th Street, Apt. 5J
New York, N. Y.

and oblige.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBDuB/s Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

[NAACP]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 2, 1935

Miss Mary White Ovington
C/O N. A. A. C. P.
69 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

14-3-63

My dear Miss Ovington:

Mr. J. E. Spingarn writes me that you have notified him that the $400 to be paid on my back salary during the year 1934 has been paid. May I remind you that this is a mistake. I have received the following payments: October 1, $100; November 5, $100; December 28, $100. This leaves $100 now overdue.

I do not like to have this back debt go into the year 1935 and interfere with the payments due during 1935, according to the vote of the Board.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 2, 1935

Mr. J. E. Spingarn
9 West 73rd Street
New York, New York

14-3-61

My dear Spingarn:

Thank you for your letter of December 29. I am venturing this further explanation so as to have the record clear.

In the fall you voted that $400 on my back salary be paid me during the year 1934. The following payments were made: October 1, $100; November 5, $100; December 28, $100. This leaves $100 overdue, and Miss Ovington is evidently mistaken if she thinks I have been paid in full. I am sending a letter to this effect to Miss Ovington.

A Happy New Year!

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[NAACP]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 2, 1935

Dr. Louis Wright
218 West 139 Street
New York, New York

My dear Dr. Wright:

I understand that you are chairman of the Board of the N. A. A. C. P. for the year 1935. May I bring these facts to your attention:

In the fall it was voted that $400 be paid me on my back salary. The following payments were made: October 1, $100; November 5, $100; December 28, $100, which leaves $100 now overdue.

I understand that for the year 1935 I am to be paid $1,000 in regular installments, but that the time of payment is "at the discretion of the Secretary." This will mean, I fear, that I will be unable to depend on regular payments. I venture to bring all this to your attention.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-19-53

[NAACP]

LOUIS T. WRIGHT, M. D.
218 WEST 139TH STREET
NEW YORK

January 14, 1935.

14-19-54

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I received your letter of January 2nd, relative to back salaries owing you by the N.A.A.C.P.

At the last meeting of the Board, which took place the same time as the annual meeting, no matters of any kind were taken up owing to the shortage of time.

I am thoroughly in favor of having this bill paid as soon as possible, and shall do all in my power to rush it.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Louis T. Wright

LTW/LJ.

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January 15, 1935.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

As a means of focusing attention of thoughtful Americans upon lynching we are planning an exhibition at the Seligmann Galleries 3 East 51st Street, New York City, of black-and-whites dealing with the subject of lynching. We hope to have this exhibit ready on or near February first, and it will consist of paintings, cartoons, lithographs and sculpture dealing with the subject.

We have already secured, among others, the lithograph, "The Law Is Too Slow", by the late George Bellows; the original drawing of "This Is Her First Lynching", by Reginald Marsh, which appeared in the New Yorker; and the original of "Maryland, My Maryland", by Edmund Duffy of Baltimore, 1933 Pulitzer prize winner.

Also, Mrs. Amy Spingarn is offering three prizes as follows: $50.00 for the best original drawing; $25.00 for the best etching, or lithograph; and $10.00 for the best photograph. We are asking a small group of able critics to make the selection from the drawings submitted of the pictures which are to be hung. If a sufficiently large number of pictures are exhibited there is a likelihood that the exhibition will be sent on tour by the College Art Association which is cooperating with us in arranging the exhibit.

A number of distinguished Americans are being asked to serve as patrons of the exhibit, and I am writing now to extend this invitation to you to be one of these. Will you do this for us? Please let us hear from you as early as possible that you will agree to be one of the patrons of the exhibit on lynching.

Ever sincerely,

Walter White

Secretary.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

WW/t-

How do your Senators and Congressmen stand on the Costigan-Wagner Anti-Lynching Bill?

ENDORSED BY THE NATIONAL INFORMATION BUREAU, 215 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

[NAACP]

12 East 97th Street
New York

January 17, 1935

My dear Dr Du Bois,

Your letter of some date back was sent me here as I have not been very well.

The N.A.A.C.P. will pay the money owing you to its best ability. It has not been placed, the debt owing you, as a salary charge, since we look upon our salaries as going to present employees and as to be paid of first necessity. The money owing you is a debt and you have to take your turn with the rest of the people to whom we are indebted.

Dr Wright, our present chairman, is very anxious to have the payments made each month, and I know he will do all he can to have them given precedence. I have no more to do with the matter than any other member of the Board.

I wish we might see you at the dinner to Arthur Spingarn.

Sincerely yours,

Mary W. Ovington

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January 30th
1935

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Early in January we wrote you inviting you to serve as a patron of an exhibit on the subject of lynching which will be held at the Jacques Seligmann Galleries, 3 East 51st Street, February 15 - March 2. As we have had no reply from you we fear our letter may have gone astray and thus are writing you again.

A number of distinguished Americans have already agreed to serve as patrons and you would do us a great honor by lending your name to this list of influential people.

We have already secured drawings, paintings, wood-carvings, sculpture and the like from a large list of well known artists, among them Orozco, Julius Block, John Steuart Curry, Reginald Marsh, Edmund Duffy, Isamu Noguchi, and many others. Mrs. Amy Spingarn has offered prizes of $50 for the best original drawing; $25 for the best etching or lithograph; and $10 for the best photograph of a lynching or lynching mob.

Won't you let me hear from you as to whether or not you will consent to serve as a patron? The catalogue and announcement must go to press within a few days and we certainly do want your name included.

Ever sincerely,

Walter White
Secretary.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
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January 31, 1935

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
Bar Building
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

I am sorry I cannot attend your Dinner, but I want to say how much I appreciat the long and unselfish service which you have given to the Negro race with so little evidence of appreciation. I know what it has cost you in time and worry, and I want to say that here is one who rates your long service at its true value.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

February 18, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-3-51

Dear Du Bois:

I was glad to receive your letter of January 31.

I need hardly tell you how large a part your inspiration played in whatever I have done for the cause.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

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February 20, 1935

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am sorry you could not be at the Dinner to Arthur Spingarn. Although the price kept it from being as large a dinner as we wished, the dinner was a great success and we have had many comments on it. I am glad that we have at last shown in a tangible way that we do appreciate all that the Chairman of our National Legal Committee has done for us. I am sending you a copy of the program under separate cover.

I am sending you also a copy of the catalog of the lynching exhibit which is now going on at the Arthur U. Newton Galleries here. Cancellation by the Seligmann Galleries gave us an enormous amount of publicity and at the preview last Friday the Newton Galleries were thronged to suffocation with one of the most distinguished groups I have ever seen in New York.

Ever sincerely,

Walter White
Secretary

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N. A. A. C. P.
69 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. White:

The vote of your Board of Directors was that the indebtedness of the N. A. A. C. P. to me, amounting to something over $1,000, should be paid during the year 1935. It is now the middle of March, and I have received no remit ance. You will, of course, remember that the $100 which I received in January was in payment of the $400 voted for the year 1934.

May I ask when I may be paid a remittance?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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March 18, 1935

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

We are very conscious of our obligation to you, and nobody is more anxious than I to pay it as soon as possible.

As you, of course, know, the first three months of the year are slow months with us, as they are just prior to the branches putting on their spring membership drives. This years has been especially hard because of the tremendous number of demands upon us.

Expenses in the fight for the Anti-Lynching Bill have been very heavy, but we feel that the money has been well spent. We have more support for the bill than we have ever had before and we can force a vote on it, now that it has been reported favorably, if only we can raise the money for the printing of sufficient literature, postage, traveling expenses, and for the coordination of the support which has been created for the measure. We have enough votes to isure passage if a record vote is taken. That is why Huey Long and others are resorting to every stratagem to prevent a vote.

Another matter on which we are working is a proposed congressional investigation of the status of the Negro under the New Deal. Such an expose, we believe, will have a very salutary effect in showing the facts and securing at least some alleviation of conditions under which Negroes are now laboring.

As usual, we have coming to us daily a large number of appeals for help. Among the cases in which we are aiding is that of the three men, Ellington, Brown and Shields, whom we believe to have been unjustly sentenced for the murder of a white man, at DeKalb, Mississippi.

Added to all this is the payment of the back debts of The Crisis and subsidies of The Crisis, necessary because of the $1500 indebtedness which the magazine had when Mr. Wilkins took over the editorship and managership.

We ask that you be patient, and just as soon as

returns come in from the drive we will make a payment.

Ever sincerely,

Walter White

Secretary

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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March 21, 1935

Mr. Walter White
N. A. A. C. P.
69 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. White:

Your letter of March 18 has been received. Dr. Du Bois is at present attending an "Economic Conference of the Negro in Texas" at Prairie View. Upon his return to the office, your letter will be brought to his attention.

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

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March 21, 1935

14-3-65

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

No one knows better than yourself that the Twenty-fifth Anniversary edition of The Crisis will appear in November, 1935. You would do honor to The Crisis and bring pleasure to its veteran as well as our more recent readers if you would consent to do an anniversary piece for that issue on any subject you choose, treated in any manner you like. My personal feelings are not important, but I may add that I would consider it a privilege to have your contribution.

Very sincerely yours,

Roy Wilkins

Managing Editor

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I thank you for your invitation of March 21, and regret to say that I shall be unable to write the article suggested

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April
11th
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Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Here is a review by Lewis Gannett of Donald Barr Chidsey's THE GENTLEMAN FROM NEW YORK: A Biography of Roscoe Conkling, which may interest you. Have you seen the book? It occurs to me that it might be of some value to you in the revision of your History of the Negro in Reconstruction.

Has a publication date been decided on as yet? In a number of lectures and speeches, and in answer to inquiries about the Reconstruction period I have spoken of the book. A number of people are asking when the book is going to appear and I should like to be able to tell them definitely.

Ever sincerely,

Walter White

Secretary.

14-14-6

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
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April 12, 1935

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

At the Board meeting last Monday the question of textbooks was brought up in connection with the new program of the Association; and I was instructed by the Board to write again asking that you please get into our hands as early as possible the reports made by Miss Boardman and Mrs. Percival.

On October 1 you wrote that you were looking up Miss Boardman's report and would send it to us as soon as you found it.

We would appreciate your getting these to us at once.

Ever sincerely,
Walter White
Secretary

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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April 18, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-3-67

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Will you be good enough to endorse this order so that we can cash it?

I find that we still have a signature stamp of yours which, through an oversight, was not sent you last July. I am mailing it under separate cover.

Very sincerely yours,

Roy Wilkins

Managing Editor

RW/ED

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April 25, 1935

Mr. Walter White
N. A. A. C. P.
69 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. White:

I am unable to find Miss Du Bois's manuscript. I am reasonably sure that I brought it downtown with me, but it is possible that it was left in the office. You might look [illegible] and see if you can find it. If not, it is simply lost in my rapid accumulation of stuff that I have here, and I shall slowly have to work until I can run across it, which I may, of course, at any time. I am very sorry to cause you any inconvenience.

My book on reconstruction is promised in May.

I should be glad to have my manuscript back as early as convenient.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DM

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 3, 1935

Mr. Walter White
N. A. A. C. P.
69 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

14-25-81

My dear Mr. White:

Enclosed is a part of the Helen Boardman's report. It is a part from which I quoted in my forthcoming book on Reconstruction, but where the rest of the report is, I have not yet discovered. This seems to be a carbon. Possibly it was copied, but I do not know. At any rate, I am sending this to you and will send any other parts of the report that I find as soon as I come across them.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

[NAACP]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 23, 1935

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

14-3-24

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

I am very much worried over the fact, that of the $1,000 which the N. A. A. C. P. voted that I should be paid on my back salary this year, not a single cent has reached me. Roy Wilkins approached me last Christmas when I was in New York and told me that I was not likely to get regular payment. I made no answer to him. I had not asked for the information and did not believe that it was given in the best spirit.

I have written Mr. White several times asking him when some remittance would be made; but have received first promises that he was waiting collections from the branches and finally, a letter that seem to intimate that since I had left THE CRISIS in debt, the obligation on the part of the N.A.A.C.P. was not as strong as it might be. The wording was not exactly this, but that was the intimation.

I think you know that the N. A. A. C. P. owes me this money for services honestly rendered. If I had been as careful as Mr. White and other officials, I should have collected my debt first and let other obligations go; but I tried desperately to keep THE CRISIS going, even without co-operation from the Secretary's office.

I feel now that this money should be paid me and while I do not want to do anything rash or inconsiderate, I am asking your advice. It seems to me that I have no recourse except to sue the Association or Mr. White or both. Of course, I do not like to do this. I have never had a court suit in my life, but I cannot give away $1,000.

I shall appreciate very frankly any advice that you may give me.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

(NAACP)

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

May 27th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-3-35

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

Your letter of May 23rd has just reached me.

The matter of the Association's indebtedness to you has been referred to several times by the Board and it has been a matter of great regret that the payments have not been made to you in accordance with the resolution of the Board. There has never been any question as to ultimate payment, but the fact is that the Association is at present in a very precarious financial condition and has had great difficulty in meeting its current pressing obligations, such as salaries, rent, etc.

I shall bring the matter again before the Board at its next meeting and see if its finances will not permit at least a small payment to be made to you in the very near future.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

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June
13th
1935

14-30-74

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

You will no doubt get these later on from your press clippings bureau but I thought you would like to have the first reviews from today's Herald-Tribune, Times and World-Telegram. I do hope the book will have a great sale and circulation.

I talked with Miss Helen K. Taylor of Harcourt, Brace and Company. They are going to get out a leaflet on the book which we are going to send to all the branches of the Association, to the colored press and to our mailing list.

Ever sincerely,

Walter White

Secretary.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta,
Georgia.

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July
10th
1935 (Dictated July 9th)

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Here is our cheque for one hundred ($100.00) dollars in payment on account of the sum due you by the Crisis. I am sorry that our financial situation has made it impossible for us to wipe out this amount more speedily.

At its meeting yesterday the Board discussed various means of bringing pressure in Ethiopia's behalf. One of the methods discussed was that of an impressive delegation seeing President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Cordell Hull. A committee was appointed to work out the details of this and other steps. Should it be desirable to take such a delegation I hope very much that you will be willing to serve as a member of it. Would you let me know if you are willing to do so?

Ever sincerely,

Walter White
Secretary.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
226 West 150th Street
New York City

WW:CTF

5J; 226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

14-22-35

Mr. Walter White
69 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. White:

Thank you for the check for One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars.

I regret to say that it will be impossible for me to join any delegation to President Roosevelt. I am just about leaving for my vacation and my time in the fall is fully occupied.

I am returning the receipt enclosed.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

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September 19, 1935

14-10-30

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
226 West 150 Street
New York City

My dear Dr. DuBois:

The enclosed sheets called "America for the Americans", were handed around on American ships bound for Europe in the middle of the summer. This one was handed to Mr. Kemper Harreld's daughter.

I thought you might be interested in the queer material beginning on the middle of page 3.

Very truly yours,

William Pickens
Department of Branches

WP:EL
Enc.

[NAACP]

October 3, 1933

Dr. Louis Wright
218 West 139 Street
New York, New York

My dear Dr. Wright:

I am writing you as chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Last year you voted that the back salary due me of $1,000 should be paid during the fiscal year. As a result of this vote, I have received $100. Nine Hundred Dollars is still due. As you know, I am incurring additional expenses for moving, etc., and I wish very much you would bring the matter of the payment of this balance before the Board at its next meeting.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBDB/IAW

[NAACP]

October 6, 1935

14-3-39

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
Bar Building
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

As you were in Europe this summer, I did not get a chance to see you, but I hope you had a pleasant time.

I think I have settled difficulties with the Dunbar Apartments. Bruce took off $100 on the charge to be made for restoring the apartments and we are moving to the third floor in the five-room apartment, which will be room enough as my daughter has gone back to teaching in Baltimore.

I wish very much at the next meeting of the Board of the N. A. A. C. P. that you will bring up the matter of the $900 still due on my back salary. Only $100 was paid during the last year. I shall appreciate anything you can do.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[NAACP]

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Oct. 23rd, 1935.

14-3-40

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

Upon my return from abroad, your letter of October 3rd was handed to me. I am glad that your difficulties with the Dunbar Apartments have been amicably adjusted.

As to the indebtedness of the N. A. A. C. P. to you, the Association's financial condition is peculiarly acute at the present moment, but testerday I signed a check to your order for $100.00, upon account. The Association will make every endeavor to pay the rest just as promptly as its finances permit.

With cordial regards, I am, as always,

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

14-3-68

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November 2, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I am enclosing our check No. 15374 in the amount of $100.00, to apply on the debt owed you by The Crisis. I regret that the amount is not larger, and also that because of lack of funds it was not possible to send it on the day on which it is dated, October 22.

Very sincerely yours,

Roy Wilkins

Assistant Secretary

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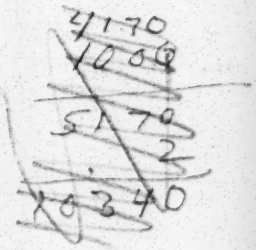

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~~meals~~ hotel and fee. Hope my services
are not worth that much

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5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

Rev. L. K. Williams
3101 South Parkway
Chicago, Illinois

My dear ~~Rev.~~ Dr. Williams:

14-12-2

This is to confirm my engagement to speak for the National Baptist Convention, Friday evening, September 6th, 1935, at 8:30 o'clock at the Coliseum in East 177th Street, - the honorarium to be Fifty ($50.00) Dollars.

As to the subject, I would suggest: "The Economical function of the Negro Church" or perhaps more simply: "Religion and Wages." What I want to say is that the church among colored people hereafter must make it a major object of its work to help its members and adherents to earn its living and that this function is not incidental, but fundamental. I shall be glad to know if this subject suits you.

I shall be in New York until July 23rd and then am going away on vacation. I shall return about August 19th and shall be at this address.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

[NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION]

Room 204
200 West 135 Street
New York, New York

August 29, 1935

Dr. L. K. Williams

14-12-3

My dear Dr. Williams:

I have not heard anything further from you concerning my address to the Baptist Convention of September 6. I wrote you in Chicago sugg sting the subjection of "Segregation". Since then, I am wondering if perhaps the convention would not be more interested in an historical account of Ethiopia.

I should be glad if you would met me know how to get in touch with you if this does not find you in Chicago.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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Rev. T. O. Fuller, D.D., Pastor First Baptist Church, St. Paul Avenue.
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Dr.W.E.B.DuBois,
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Atlanta, Ga.

14-3-15

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

You will perhaps recall, that I presented you on your recent appearance before the National Baptist Convention, at the Coliseum, New York City. As Director of Publicity, of the said Convention, I would like to broadcast the closing part of your address which you designated, "The Negro's Creed", to the various Newspapers which I cover.

If there are other features of the address, which you would prefer to have me use, it would be my pleasure to do so.

With all good wishes,

I am,

Yours truly,

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October 1, 1935

14-3-17

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover I am mailing you a copy of the Convention issue of The National Baptist Voice. On page (5) five you will find my own appreciation of your presence on our Convention program.

Yours very truly,

R. C. Barbour

EDITOR

RCB/mc

[NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION]

October 8, 1935

Mr. R. C. Barbour
The National Baptist Voice
412-4th Avenue, N.
Nashville, Tennessee

14-3-18

My dear Mr. Barbour:

I thank you very much for the copy of the National Baptist Voice sent me and for your appreciation of my speech.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION]

October 8, 1935

14-3-16

Mr. T. O. Fuller
536 St. Paul Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

My dear Sir:

You are at liberty to use the creed which I laid before the National Baptist Convention on condition that you always use the name of its author. Any other part of the address which you wish to use you may on the same terms.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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July 2,1935.

Dr. W.E. Burghardt Du Bois,
226 West 150th St.,
New York,N.Y.

14-3-20

Dear Sir:

I have been endeavoring to communicate with you to request your cooperation in bringing to date the article on your career in The National Cyclopedia of American Biography.

It is desired to include a short summary of the position you have taken in the series of articles in Crisis Magazine on segregation, as well as suitable excerpts of reviews of your recent book.

Please appoint a time and place for a meeting.

Faithfully yours,

John Simons,
Associate Editor.

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14-3-21

Mr. John Simons
National Encyclopaedia of American Biography
70 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Simons:

I shall be in the city at: 226 West 150th Street, until July 18th and between August 20th and September 20th. If you will telephone me at: EDgecomb 4-9223, I shall be glad to make an appointment.

I may say, however, that I will not pay anything for insertion of my name or picture in an encyclopaedia. I do not know whether that is the present policy of your encyclopaedia, but I know that it used to be and I think it is only fair to let you know my decision beforehand in order not to waste your time.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

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August 30, 1935.

Professor W.E.B. Du Bois,
226 West 150th Street,
New York City

14-3-22

Dear Professor Du Bois:

May I remind you of your promise to set aside a few minutes to assist me in bringing up-to-date the article to represent your career in the National Cyclopedia of Amercian Biography.

Will you appoint a time and place for a meeting, please?

Very truly yours,

John Simons

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Associate Editor

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August 30, 1935

14-3-23

Mr. John Simons
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70 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

I have a temporary office at 200 West 135th Street, Room 204. I will be glad to see you there Thursday, Friday or Saturday, September 5, 6 or 7, at 10:00 A.M.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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September 3, 1935.

Professor W.E.B. Du Bois,
200 West 135th Street,
Room 204,
New York City.

14-3-19

Dear Professor Du Bois:

Thank you for your letter of August 31st. I have chosen the appointment of Friday, September 6th, at 10:00 A.M.

Faithfully yours,

John Simons

JOHN SIMONS
Associate Editor

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September 12, 1935.

Prof. W. E. B. Du Bois,
200 West 135th Street,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Professor;

Permit me to acknowledge with thanks the outline of your activities which reached me to day by post. After some further revision and editing the article will be submitted to you again for your approval.

4-25-34

May I request an autographed copy of your book "Black Reconstruction?" I have read your Crisis articles with much interest and would greatly appreciate the privilege of including your volume in my library.

Faithfully yours,

John Simons
Associate Editor

JS/LK

October 8, 1935

Mr. John Simons
Associate Editor
The National Cyclopedia
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70 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

14-25-33

My dear Mr. Simons:

I wish very much that I could give you a copy of my book, "Black Reconstruction", but I regret to say that I received only 9 free copies and any further copies I shall have to pay for myself. I am sorry not to be able to send you one.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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DU BOIS, William Edward Burghardt, teacher and writer, was born at Great Barrington, Mass., Feb. 23, 1868, son of Alfred and Mary (Burghardt) Du Bois, grandson of Alexander Du Bois, ~~great grandson of~~ Dr. James Du Bois, ~~Revolutionary soldier~~ a lineal descendant of the Du Bois family of Hugenots that settled originally in Ulster County, N. Y. ~~His family is of African descent on both sides.~~ He was educated in the public schools of Massachusetts, at Fisk University, Harvard University and the University of Berlin. He received the degree of A.B. at Fisk University in 1888, and A.B., A.M., and Ph.D. at Harvard University in 1890, 1891 and 1895. At Harvard he held a fellowship in sociology, for two years as a graduate student. He was a teacher at Wilberforce University during 1894-96, assistant instructor in sociology at Pennsylvania University in 1896-97, professor of history and political economy at Atlanta University in 1897-1909; and director of Publications and Research and Editor of The Crisis magazine for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, 1910- ~~(at time 100,000 copies)~~ 37 - unless he returned as Prof of Sociology at Atlanta University. His chief publications are: "Suppression of the Slave Trade" (1896), published as the first volume in the Harvard Historical series; "Philadelphia Negro" (1899), published under the auspices of the University

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He is of African French & Dutch descent. His African blood comes from slaves brought by the Dutch from the west coast of Africa in the 18th century, & the valley of the Hudson. His French blood comes from his great grandfather,

The Quest of the Silver Fleece 1911

of Pennsylvania; "The Souls of Black Folk," (1903) "John Brown" (1909) "The Negro," (Home University Library - 1915) "Darkwater," (1920) "The Gift of Black Folk," (1924) and many articles on the Negro race in the leading magazines. He has also made numerous special studies and investigations into racial questions. He is said to have done more toward giving a scientific accuracy and method to the study of the race question than any other American. He was one of the two American secretaries for the Universal Races Congress, London, 1911 and has been Executive Secretary for the First, Second and Third Pan-African Congresses. He was awarded the Spingarn medal in 1920. In 1923 he was special representative of the president of the United States at the inauguration of the president of Liberia with the rank of minister plenipotentiary and envoy extraordinary. Dr. Du Bois was married, May 12, 1896, to Nina, daughter of Charles Gomer, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., and has one daughter, Nina Yolanda Dubois Williams + one granddaughter

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Editor of the Atlanta University studies of the Negro Problem 1897-1911

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
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January 10, 1935

Mr. J. W. Beatson
THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC LEAGUE
6 Beacon Street
Boston, Massachusetts

14-3-24

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of December 22 informing me that I have been elected as a member of the National Economic League to represent the state of Georgia.

I regret to say that so far as I have been able to follow the work of the League, and from the names on the Executive Council, I do not find myself in sympathy with this organization, and, therefore, must decline the honor.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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April 24, 1935

14-3-9

NATIONAL AGENCY COUNCIL
421 Commerce National
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12th and "G" Streets, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Will you please send to the United States Government Bureau application form, with revisions and explanations, until December 31, 1935.

Enclosed is my check for $2.00.

Very truly yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

Headquarters of
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

Suite 332
417 EAST 47TH STREET

THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT
for
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A 49th STATE
INCORPORATED
CHICAGO
ILLINOIS

February 1, 1935

14-10-26

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

According to public announcement in Chicago, the National Movement for the Establishment of a 49th State is advised that on February 18, 1935, you are to lecture at the Good Shepherd Congregational Church, of this city, on the subject "What Segregation Offers the Negro".

It is the policy of our organization to have its Committee on Extension discuss the programme of the movement with outstanding persons whose business brings them to Chicago.

In the past, these discussions have taken the form of frank and concise statements from the sponsors of the Movement in an effort to inform persons in high positions just what we have in mind and to secure from them expressions, whether favorable or unfavorable, of their opinion of our programme. We also believe it of advantage to the Movement to have persons who are interested in the Negro problem to meet and talk to some of the proponents of the 49th State idea in order that an intelligent evaluation of the work which the Movement is undertaking might be made.

We are, therefore, asking you to sit with us for a short interview when you are in Chicago for the lecture referred to above. Our discussions in the past have taken place in suite 332 at 417 East 47th Street, in Chicago, but we shall be glad to make it convenient for you at some other place if you desire.

Headquarters of
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

Suite 332
417 EAST 47TH STREET

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ILLINOIS

14-10-41 22-01-27

May we have a word from you before you arrive at Chicago, if convenient, indicating whether we shall have the pleasure of being with you, stating the time and place or, if inconvenient, prior to your arrival in Chicago, then you may inform us after you reach the city. You may reach this office over telephone, Drexel 2026.

Very truly yours,

Oscar C. Brown

OCB:VR

For the Council.

[NATIONAL MOVEMENT, ..]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-10-28

February 4, 1935

Mr. Oscar C. Brown
Suite 332
417 East 47th Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Sir:

Answering your letter of February 1, I regret to say that on account of my engagements, it will be impossible for me to meet your Council.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[NATIONAL MOVEMENT, ...]

Headquarters of
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

Suite 332
417 EAST 47TH STREET

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June 18, 1935

14-10-29

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356, Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

The members of the National Council of our Movement have followed with considerable interest your pronouncements regarding an effective program for the Negro in the United States at this time. Your article in the Current History Magazine for June has received our very sympathetic thought.

After all, it appears that our program follows very closely the program that you have formulated. However, it appears that we might go a little further in our conclusions, in that we believe that the condition of many Negroes in certain sections of the country is such that no effective help can be given them unless we actually find a physical area into which such of them might be moved.

As we have observed your discussion on the problem, we believe that some effective work could be done if we could get together and follow your leadership on the program.

We shall be glad to have a word from you.

Yours very truly,

Oscar C. Brown

OCB:VR

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14-3-7

My dear Mr. Du Bois

From the heading on this paper you can see that a movement, long needed among Negroes has been set in motion. From the beginning we are hopeing great things.

On the 18th inst. we are having at Wadleigh High School at West 114 St. N. Y. City ceremonies for the unveiling of the charter. Our objective is a school with an adequate and proficient teaching corps, where Negro youth with artistic tendencies may be trained in all branches and a theatre where Negro talent may show forth in plays - not only of Negro life - but in any plays that require skill in presentation.

We know that you will be intensely interested in such a movement and we ask your active and moral support. We should be pleased to have you with us on this occassion. We know however how busy you are and we would appreciate a statement from you to be read on that occassion

Approbation and encouragement from you will mean much to us. May I expect such a letter from you? You may send it to the address of the secretary above.

With cordial personal regards

Sincerely

Pearl Wimberly Wright

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 17, 1935

14.3.8

Mrs. Pearl Wimberly Wright
THE NATIONAL NEGRO ART SCHOOL
401 West 15? Street
New York, New York

My dear Mrs. Wright:

Of course I am always interested in anything to forward Negro art, but I know too little of The National Negro Art School to make any public statement concerning it.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL CONFERENCE
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November 29, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois

We are very glad you are going to be with us at the Atlanta Conference. We shall have a fine group of conferees and expect that the discussions will be most stimulating. Within a few days you will receive a copy of December "Occupations, the Vocational Guidance magazine," in which you will find several articles which should be helpful in preparing you for the conference.

"Trail-Marks of Guidance," page 206, is an account of the Midwestern Regional conference held last August at Estes Park. It illustrates the spirit and technique prevailing at these conferences.

"Survival Strategy," page 268, reproduces valuable material on occupations originally appearing in "The Journal of Negro Education."

"The Negro Worker," page 275, is a review by George R. Arthur of the book "The Negro Wage Earner of New Jersey."

"Negro Migrants," page 276, is a review by Ernestine Oldham of the book "Negro Intelligence and Selective Migration."

We are enclosing further details which, we hope, will answer any questions you now have in mind regarding the conference.

Yours very sincerely

Franklin J. Keller

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FRANKLIN J. KELLER
Director

NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL CONFERENCE

THE NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL CONFERENCE is interested in all aspects of occupational adjustment, and in cooperative efforts to study this problem. The work of the Conference does not include counseling with individuals regarding their personal occupational problems. The Conference is administered through the American Association for Adult Education.

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NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL CONFERENCE

Conference
on
Vocational Guidance and Education
for
Negroes

Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

December 9 - 14, 1935

BULLETIN OF INFORMATION

How to reach Atlanta

By rail

Information as to the best route may be obtained from your local agent.

Do not get off at the Brookwood Station.

From either the Terminal or Union Station take a taxi or street car.

By automobile

Any filling station can give you a route map.

Those coming via Gainesville, Georgia, should be careful to turn left at the cross-roads a few miles south of Gainesville, going via Lawrenceville, Georgia.

In Atlanta go via Forsyth Street to Mitchell; turn west on Mitchell following the car-line which curves around via Hunter Street; turn left at Chestnut Street one block to the Men's Dormitory, which is the first building. Register and secure your program there.

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Mail

Please have all mail that is to be sent to you at Atlanta addressed to you

"c/o National Occupational Conference
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia"

What to bring

Bring any printed or mimeographed materials on problems of occupational adjustment which you would be willing to have placed with other free material on a table from which conferees may help themselves.

All meetings of the conference will be informal. Evening dress will not be needed.

Bring golf and tennis equipment if you wish to play.

Upon your arrival

Go to the registration desk in the Men's dormitory, Atlanta University, on Chestnut Street, and secure your copy of the Conference Program. The first meeting will be held at 3:00 P.M. Monday in the Exhibition Room, Ground Floor, Library. This building is centrally located on the Atlanta University Campus, about two blocks from the dormitory.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 30, 1935

Mr. T. Arnold Hill
NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE
1133 Broadway
New York, New York

13-3-17

My dear Mr. Hill:

I have seen the handbook of the EAC, sponsored by the National Urban League and issued in December, 1933. May I ask if you have any records or reports showing the work and present condition of this League?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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The Negro Journal of Religion

EDITED BY LENDELL CHARLES RIDLEY

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY, WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY
DIRECTOR OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK IN THE A. M. E. CHURCH
FOR THE STATE OF OHIO
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF TAWAWA SCHOOL OF RELIGION

PUBLISHED AT WILBERFORCE, OHIO

October 17, 1935

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Doctor W. E. B. Dubois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Doctor:

After kindest greetings and felicitations of the season and best wishes for your continued success, permit me to ask the honor of having an article from your pen to be published in The Negro Journal of Religion. The article may be from four hundred to fifteen hundred words in length covering any topic that could be published in a Negro Religious Journal. This honor will be greatly appreciated.

With sentiments of profound consideration, I am,

Very truly yours,

Lendell Chas. Ridley.

LCR/ba.

October 25, 1935

Mr. L. C. Ridley
The Negro Journal of Religion
Wilberforce, Ohio

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My dear Mr. Ridley:

I thank you very much for your invitation of October 17, but regret to say that my literary engagements are such that I do not dare to promise any more work for this year. Next year, if you will write me, I will see what I can do.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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October 31, 1935

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Doctor W. E. B. Du Bois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Doctor:

Permit me to thank you for your very kind answer under date of the 25th inst., advising me of your inability to write something for our magazine before next year. We hope you have reference to the calendar year, however, this was not stated.

It often happens that a busy writer has in his archives many unpublished manuscripts. We feel that you must have a goodly store of these. May we have the pleasure of early presenting to the public some of these unpublished documents? We shall be very grateful for this favor.

With sentiments of high consideration and best wishes for the success of your work, I am,

Very truly yours,

Lendell Charles Ridley

LCR/ba.

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June 19, 1935

Dear Sir or Madam:

On numerous occasions you have been asked, no doubt, to contribute your moral or financial support to one worthy cause or another. THIS effort of the Negro Peoples Theatre however, marks the first genuine attempt of Negro actors to organize a cooperative theatre group. Through our presentation on last June 1st, at the Rockland Palace, of "Waiting for Lefty", we think we have proved that we are capable of satisfactorily portraying diverse types of plays.

We have begun negotiations for a theatre in Harlem. We will present plays that are vital to Negro life, thereby developing the creative and artistic talent of the Negro, fostering the high ideals of the race, and illuminating the forces of social realism through the medium of the theatre. A permanent producing company, that embodies in its work all the cultural elements that go to make a good theatre, has many more advantages than a group that is hired for a specific play.

Our group consists of members from the Green Pastures Company, Stevedore, Porgy, and the Green Pastures Choir. We have at present, thirty-five members in our group, all with the feeling in our hearts, that if we try to help ourselves, others will help us.

If you are in sympathy with this movement and feel that you desire to help us, kindly send your donations to the above address. In appreciation for your help, we will mail two tickets for our first fall production. In order for this group to support itself while developing future activities, we are presenting a benefit performance at the Longacre Theatre on Sunday, June 30th. We beg your support.

Respectfully yours,

Rose McClendon

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THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY

132 EAST 65TH STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

April 23, 1935

CABLE ADDRESS
NUHISTORY N.Y.

TO THE JUDGES IN THE 4th INTERNATIONAL
COMPETITION OFFERED TO THE YOUTH OF ASIA

Mr. Devere Allen
Dr. Henry A. Atkinson
Dr. William Edward Burghardt Du Bois
Dr. Frederick B. Fisher
Mr. John Haynes Holmes
Dr. John Howland Lathrop
Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar
Prof. Nicholas Roerich
Dr. Jabez T. Sunderland
Rabbi Stephen S. Wise

Honored Sirs:

The New History Society at this time takes pleasure in presenting to you the result of its Pan Asiatic competition on the subject "How Can Youth Contribute To The Realization Of A Universal Religion", and we take the liberty of making a brief recapitulation.

First. In November, 1934, an Advance Announcement was made to the press as well as to the educational institutions of Asia. This announcement was welcomed in diverse quarters and many articles appeared in the English and native periodicals, resulting in numerous inquiries.

Second. Another printed announcement was mailed 8 months later stating the conditions governing the competition and giving the names of the judges. The competition opened officially on August 1, 1934 and closed on March 1, 1935. You will observe, by the enclosed list, that 227 essays were received from 14 countries of Asia. These essays have been read very carefully and from the total 23 papers have been picked out as the best and the most representative. These, in mimeographed form, are now submitted simultaneously to all the Judges in order that they may award to the authors of these papers the respective prizes: 1st, $300.00; 2nd, $200.00; 3rd, $100.00. We hope that you will be able to give us your decision by the middle of May or by May 20 at the latest, so that we may release the news to the press as well as to the interested associations and the religious and educational institutions of Asia.

We have studied these essays with great care and have made a card index of their outline noting the religious affiliations of the writers. A copy of this second index is likewise enclosed. We also mail to you a list of the periodicals of Asia that have published articles and notices regarding the competition. This list is in no wise complete but it, in a manner, shows the publicity accorded by the press to this subject.

All the Judges with the exception of Prof. Nicholas Roerich, who is travelling in the East, have been most generous in writing messages to the Youth of Asia. These messages have been released monthly to 1600 newspapers and periodicals of Asia and have also been mailed to many individuals and institutions interested in the project. Likewise Lord Ponsonby, Chairman of the War Resistors' International, and Dr. F. C. Martin of the Fukien Christian University, a member of the Regional Board of Judges in China wrote messages to the Youth of Asia. We have numerous periodicals both in English and in other languages in which these messages are published.

The eleven messages compiled are now being mailed free to any person who applies. We have likewise been studying the total of essays submitted, with an eye of extracting pertinent and vital quotations. These quotations, when brought together, show, in a very dramatic and significant way, the evolution of the intellectual and spiritual thoughts, aspirations, hopes and plans of the Youth of Asia.

We hope that you will keep the copies of the essays now submitted to you and let us know, either by name or number, which three, in your estimation, deserve to receive 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes. Should you be interested, for your own satisfaction to see any more of these essays, we shall be more than happy to mail copies of them to you. All will, within a short time, be indexed and bound in volumes in order that they may become available to the students of the religious thoughts of the East.

The New History Society is greatly indebted to you for having accepted to serve on the board of Judges and we are conscious that we owe you an eternal debt of gratitude for having written those stirring messages to the Youth of Asia. They have had, and will continue to have, great influence in shaping the minds and the hearts of those young people.

In the hope of receiving your decision by the middle of May,

Yours very sincerely.

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
Director

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JUDGES IN FOURTH (ASIATIC) INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

Devere Allen	Wilton, Conn.	Wilton 171
Dr. Henry A. Atkinson	70 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. C.	Algonquin 4-2720
Dr. W. E. B. DuBois	[redacted]	
Dr. Frederick B. Fisher	23 East Adams Ave., Detroit, Mich.	
Dr. John Haynes Holmes	Community Church, 550 West 110 St., N.Y.C.	Academy 2-2556
Dr. John Howland Lathrop	Church of the Saviour 121 Pierrepont St., Brooklyn, N. Y.	Main 4-5697
Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar	20 Vesey Street, N.Y.C.	Worth 2-8472
Prof. Nicholas Roerich	Roerich Museum, 310 Riverside Drive, N.Y.C. (Prof. Roerich is at present travelling through the Orient, but the Papers submitted to him will be read by Miss Frances Grant, Vice-President of Roerich Museum)	Clarkson 2-1700
Dr. Jabez T. Sunderland	1510 Cambridge Road, Ann Arbor, Mich.	
Rabbi Stephen S. Wise	300 Central Park West (home), N. Y. C. 40 West 68th Street (office)	Trafalgar 7-4050

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'Explanation: The above list is for the information and convenience of the Judges on the Board of Award in this International Competition offered to the Youth of Asia, by

The New History Society
132 East 65th Street
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LIST OF WRITERS OF ESSAYS IN FOURTH INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

SUBMITTED TO JUDGES FOR AWARDING OF THREE PRIZES

Country	Name	City	Essay No.
CHINA	Louise Pin Yen Chang	Foochow	94
INDIA	M. James Aruliah	Madras	166
	N.K.H.Bharucha	Bombay	33
	M.F.Correa	Bombay	133
	C.D.Deshmukh	Nagpur	149
	Dr. K.A.Hameed	E.Khandesh	67
	T.M.P.Mahadev	Madras	104
	S.Govinda Menon	Trivandrum	47
	Cyril Modak	Jubbulpore	101
	D. Ramachandran	Trichinopoly	151
	V. N. Rao	Hyderabad	147
	A. D. V. Reddy	Timiri Post	152
	Gurdev Singh	Panjab	118
	Vinayak R. Talasikar	Poona	73
	J. C. Tribhuwan	Poona	77
	P. V. Venkatachalam	Trichur	168
JAPAN	Yukiko Isobe	Tokyo	165
	Shoji Kimura	Tokyo	83
	Paul Ri	Kyoto	97
LEBANON	Naîm Nasîm Khouri	Beirut	84
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS	Benito F. Reyes	Manila	62
STRAITS SETTLEMENTS	Philip Khoo Lip Chuan	Singapore	178
SYRIA	Lee Kassardjian	Beirut	86

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SYNOPSIS OF

FOURTH INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

of

THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY
132 East 65th Street, New York, N.Y., U. S. A.

Offered to the Entire Youth of Asia (Up to the age of Thirty)
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Two Hundred Twenty-Nine Essays submitted,
Fourteen Countries of Asia Participating.

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Burma	3
Ceylon	3
China	15
Federated Malay States	2
India	115
Iraq	3
Japan	15
Korea	2
Lebanon	5
Netherlands Indies (Sumatra)	1
Palestine	2
Philippine Islands	51
Syria	5
Straits Settlements	7
TOTAL Number of Essays Received	229

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(Explanation: A number of Essays have been received, which are not included in the above list, owing to the fact that their writers were either over age or, although Asiatics, living in Europe and America.)

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RELIGIONS AND DENOMINATIONS REPRESENTED IN THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

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An inspiring indication of the Universal Religion that is to come may be seen in the following list where, under the bright banners of the Great Prophets, men of various races and nationalities stand phalanxed, unified in throught, aspiration and consciousness.

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Ang Pagsamba kay Bathala	1		
Aryan	1	Human	1
Aryan Sanatan Dharam	1	Humanity	1
Bahai	1	Islam	19
Buddhism	3	Jain	1
Christian	32	Kashmiri Pandit	1
" - Anglican	1	Love	1
" - Catholic	16	Maronite	1
" - Chaldean	1	None	4
" - Methodist Episcopal	3	No Established Order	1
" - Protestant	7	No Perfect Religion	1
Cosmic	1	One God	1
Equi Frili Cumianism	1	Philippine Independent Church	2
Free	1	Pure Religionist	1
Free Thinker	1	Rationalist	1
Greek Catholic	1	Seeker of Truth	1
" Orthodox	1	Seventh Day Adventist	3
Hebrew	1	Sikh	3
Hindu	59	Truth	1
" - Arajasamajist	1	Universal	2
" - Brahmin	4	Universal Religion	1
" - " Vishnaite	1	Universalist	1
" - Krishna	1	Vedic	2
" - Saukara	1	Zoroastrian	7
" - Smartha Brahmin	2	Not Stated	26
" - Sourashtra	1		
" - Vedanta	1	TOTAL	229

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PERIODICALS OF ASIA CARRYING ARTICLES AND NEWS ABOUT THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION OF

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(NOTE: The New History Society is most grateful for the support and assistance given to this Pan-Asiatic Competition by Editors and contributors to the following publications. The list is incomplete and by no means tells the story of the generous publicity accorded, for hundreds of our correspondents in various parts of the Orient, have referred to articles in diverse languages appearing in their local and national newspapers and periodicals of which we do not possess copies in our files. It is owing to the kind cooperation of a number of Editors and of a few friends that we have been able to garner these few grains - advance notice of the great harvest which is in store for the workers in all nations for a unified world).

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Name of Periodical	City	Country	Date of Publication
Baluchistan Gazette	Queta	Baluchistan	Mar.30, June 22, Sept. 14, 1934.
Burma Medical Times	Rangoon	Burma	March, August, 1934.
Ardra	Jaffna	Ceylon	March, May, July, November, 1934.
Ceylon Observer	Colombo		Nov. 14, 1934; Jan. 27, Feb. 24,1935.
Hindu Organ	Jaffna		December 3, 1934.
Morning Star	Jaffna		Nov.2, Nov. 9,1934.
China Digest	Shanghai	China	July, Oct.6, Nov.3, Nov.17,1934. Jan.19, Feb.23, Mar.9, 1935.
China Press	Shanghai		Nov. 7, 1934.
Chinese Recorder	Shanghai		Dec. 28, 1934.
Fuh-Tan Mirror	Shanghai		April 16, Nov. 5, 1934.
Fukien Tribune	Amoy		Oct. 12, 1934.
Israel's Messenger	Shanghai		Nov. 2, Dec. 7, 1934; Jan. 4, Feb. 1, 1935.

Name of Periodical	City	Country	Date of Publication
The Message	Shanghai	China	Undated
Bulletin of Natl.Tsing Hua University	Peiping		May 23, 1934
Shen Wen Pao	Shanghai		Aug. 24, 1934
So.China Morn. Post	Hongkong		March 28, 1934
Yenching News	Peiping West		Oct. 23, 1934
El Nehzat-El-Nessayieh	Cairo	Egypt	Oct.,1934; Dec., 1934.
Adhyatma Prakasha	Bangalore	India	December, 1934; Jan., March, 1935
Advance India	Madras		Feb., May, June, Aug., 1934 Jan., Feb., 1935
Advertiser Baroda	Baroda		Mar. 20, 1935
Ananda Bazar Patrika	Calcutta		June 9, 1934
Central India Times	Indore		June 13, July 4, Aug. 15, 1934
Bombay Chronicle	Bombay		Jan. 28, June 2, Nov. 10, 1934 Jan. 6, 1935
Civil and Military Gazette	Lahore		Jan. 2, 1934
Commercial Education	Calcutta		Nov., Dec., 1934
Daily Herald	Lahore		June 26, July 3, 1934.
Daily Sun	Bombay		Sept. 12, 1934
Deccan Times	Madras		Dec. 16, 23, 1934
Dharmarajya	Madras		April 28, Nov. 17, 1934.
Dinajpur Patrika	Bengal		June, 1934
Educational Review	Madras		Sept., 1934; Feb., 1935
Federated India	Madras		May 30, July 11, Sept. 5, 1934
Forward	Calcutta		May 20, June 9, July 8, 1934
Free Press Journal	Bombay		Dec. 31,1933; June 7, 1934; Dec.31, 1934; Jan. 13, 1935.
General News	Delhi		May 25, June 15, July 31, July 9, Aug. 31, Oct. 10, 1934.
Greater India	Cochin		Feb. 17, May 12, 1934
Hindi Swarajya	Khandwa		Dec. 25, 1934
Hindu	Madras		Jan. 1, May 22, May 24, Aug. 20,1934 July 26, Oct. 24, Oct. 18, 1934.
Hindu Mind	Kumbakonam		Oct., Nov., 1934
Hindustan Review	Patna		Oct. 31, 1934.
Hindustan Times	Delhi		Undated
India and the World	Calcutta		May, 1934
India Tomorrow	Calcutta		Aug. 13, 1934
Indian Express	Madras		Jan., 1935
Indian Social Reformer	Bombay		May 19, Dec. 8, 1934; Jan.5,1935
Indian States Gazette	Padras		April, May, June, July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 1934.
Information	Bombay		March, April, May, June, 1934
Insurance	Palghat		July, 1934
Jana Mitra	Gujrat		Undated - No. B. 288
Journal of Ayurveda	Calcutta		Jan, June, July, 1934
Justice	Madras		March 15, 1934
Khalsa	Lahore		May 30, 1934
Karmaveer	Khandwa		Sept. 29, 1934
Light of Asia	Trichinopoly		Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec., 1934
Mail	Madras		June 25, June 23, Aug. 21, 1934
Message	Gorakhpur		Oct.,1934; Jan.,Feb.,March, 1935
Modern Review	Calcutta		June, 1934; Jan., 1935.
Alumni Bulletin	Beirut	Syria	Nov. 1, 1934
Majallat Al-Maaref	Beirut		Dated in Syrian
La Syrie	Beirut		Sept. 1, 1934

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Name of Periodical	City	Country	Date of Publication
Muslim Chronicle	Madras	India	Undated
Mussalman	Calcutta		Feb. 2, 1935
National Call	Delhi		Jan. 1, 1934
New Orissa	Ganjam		Aug. 28, Oct. 26, Dec. 11, 1934
Parsi Sansar	Karachi		Feb. 7, May 12, July 14, July 21,1934
Peace	Godaveri		Feb., March, April, May, June, July, Dec., 1934; Jan., 1935.
Peshwa	Delhi		May, June, July, 1934.
Phhulchhab	Kathiawar		Sept., 1934
Pioneer	Lucknow		Jan. 2, May, July, 1934.
Roy's Weekly	Delhi		Nov. 19, 1934.
Venkateshwar Samachar	Bombay		July 6, Oct. 19th, 1934.
Sindh Observer	Karachi		June 28, Sept. 9, Sept. 26, Oct.21, 1934
Sindhuri	Karachi		Sept. 16, 1934
Theosophist	Madras		Jan., 1935
Times of Assam	Dibrigargh		June 9, July 14, 1934
Times of India	Bombay		Aug. 25, 1934
Tribune	Lahore		June 1, Aug. 11, 1934; Jan. 26,1935.
United India & Indian States	Delhi		Dec. 23,1933; Apr. 7, 1934.
Vaitarani	Cuttack		April, May, July, 1934.
Vision	Kanhangad		Oct., Nov., Dec.,1934; Jan.,Feb., March, 1935.
Voice of India	Karachi		Nov. 13, 1934; Jan.15,1935, Feb.11, Feb. 25, 1935.
Weekly Prakash	Rewa		Undated - No. 504.
West Coast Reformer	Calicut		July 4, Sept. 26, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, 1934; Feb. 28, March 3, 1935.
Young Builder	Karachi		June, Dec., 1934; Jan.,1935.
Yoga	Bombay		April, 1934; Jan., 1935.
Christian Graphic	Tokyo	Japan	May, 1934; April, 1935.
Extra Ecclesiam Sabus	Tokyo		Undated
Japan Advertiser	Tokyo		Mar. 18, 1934
Japanese Chronicle	Tokyo		Dec. 7, 1933.
Japan Times & Mail	Tokyo		Mar, 18, Dec. 11, 1934.
New Liberalism	Tokyo		July, Oct., 1934
Mita Hyoron, of Keio-gijuku University	Tokyo		Undated
Osaka Mainichi Shimbun	Osaka		Jan. 9, 1935
World State	Tokyo		May-June, Sept-Oct.,1934; Jan-Feb., 1935.
Yomiuri	Tokyo		Feb., 1934.
Korea Daily News		Korea	Dated in Chinese
Daidon Shimbo	Seoul		Nov. 12, 1934
Defense	Manila	Phil.Islands	Nov. 22, 1934
Phil. Free Press	Manila		April 21, Aug. 11, 1934.
Phil. Herald	Manila		Jan. 25, 1935
Manila Bulletin Daily	Manila		Oct. 11, 1934
Tribune	Manila		Aug. 19, 1934.
School News Review	Mindanao		Oct. 1, 1934
Malaya Tribune	Singapore	Straits Settlements	Jan.30, Aug. 27,Nov.12,1934
Malaysia Message	Singapore		Oct., Dec., 1934
Straits Echo	Penang		Dec. 27, 1933
Saudara	Penang		Sept. 12,Dec.12,22,1934;Feb.27, March 6, 1935

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 3, 1935

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Mr. Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
NEW HISTORY SOCIETY
132 East 65 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Sohrab:

I have received copies of the essays entered for the prize which you have offered.

In my judgment, the 1st Prize should go to Louise Pin Yen Chang for Essay Number 194; the 2nd Prize to D. Ramachandran for Essay Number 151; the 3rd Prize to Yukiko Isobe for Essay Number 265.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY

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CABLE ADDRESS
NUHISTORY, N. Y.

May 6, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:-

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It gave us a thrill of joy to receive your letter this morning which contained your decision in regard to the three best essays submitted by the youth of Asia which in your judgment deserve first, second and third prizes.

Yours is the first decision and we are grateful to you for having given it so quickly. As soon as we receive the decisions of the other judges we shall communicate with you the final outcome.

Again we thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very sincerely yours,

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
Director

MAS:RS

THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY

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NUHISTORY, N. Y.

May 10, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

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Dear Sir:-

We take the liberty of enclosing herewith the list of names and addresses of all the young people of Asia who have taken part in the Fourth International Competition, as well as a copy of a personal letter written to them. This list we hope will interest you for in a detailed manner it gives the names of the cities as well as the countries of Asia which are represented in the competition.

Again thanking you for your cooperation.

Very sincerely yours,

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
Director

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To the young people of Asia who have written Essays on the subject:
"How can Youth Contribute to the Realization of a Universal Religion?"

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

At the close of this Competition, The New History Society desires to express to you its appreciation of the assistance which you have given to this spiritual enterprise. Among the many Essays now claiming the consideration of the Award Committee, three, according to its ripened judgment, will be chosen as the very best, and these will be extensively published and brought, throughout the length and breadth of the land, to the attention of a waiting public. These Three Essays however, valuable as we expect that their contents will be, will not by any means constitute the entire fruit of this contest, for the bulk of the Essays has shown that, quietly, resolutely, in various parts of the Orient, a free generation has lifted its head above the seas of dogmas and antiquated traditions, and we have determined that the voice of this free generation shall be heard and its message delivered.

Youth of Asia! You, from among the silent millions of the Mother Continent have, in a materialistic age, taken it upon yourself to raise again the torch of wisdom; you have rediscovered the forgotten path, and designated it as the King's Highway; you have discerned the Sun of the Oneness of the World of Humanity, and have vowed to scatter the clouds of separation and misapprehension that have gathered before its face! Blessed are you and again blessed are you! For through the magic of your understanding, and by the power of your spiritual technique a new vision shall be given to the world. Rest assured of this.

We enclose with this letter a list of the names and addresses of those who have taken part in this competition. We introduce you, who already are comrades of mind and heart, to each other, and we place you in each other's safe keeping, relying on you to feed the flame that you have lit. The New History Society, working for the establishment of a United States of the World and a Universal Religion, through the principles laid down by Baha-U-Llah, will watch your progress, cooperate with you when you so desire, and remain ever at your service.

It is to be hoped that the contestants within each country of Asia, whether their number be large or small, shall without delay initiate correspondence with one another, and call in their friends and sympathisers, with the purpose of forming a nucleus or group of a World Wide Fellowship to be designated by a name descriptive of their purpose and movement - this movement, as the youth of Asia itself has determined, to be free from dogmas, organization and by-laws. And for the encouragement of the workers in this Cause let it be remembered that these contestants are simply "tokens" of millions of young men and women in all parts who, in the silence of their hearts, have felt the same need and dreamed the same dreams.

And so you have chosen as your garden, Youth of Asia, the fields of labor that lead toward Heaven! Let the sun of your certainty beat upon your planting, and the winds of your resolution animate the tiny sprouts and the rain of your solicitude smoothe them into verdant velvet. The feet of Humanity are very weary for they have walked too long on stones, therefore in the words of one of the contestants, the hour has struck when: "Youth must rise and take the World by the hand and say:

'THIS WAY!'"

Yours in Service,

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Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
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[ENCLOSURE 5]

List of names and addresses of the young men and women of Asia who have submitted essays in the

FOURTH INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

of

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132 East 65th Street, New York, N.Y., U.S.A.

On the subject:

"HOW CAN YOUTH CONTRIBUTE TO THE REALIZATION OF A UNIVERSAL RELIGION?"

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First Prize: Three Hundred Dollars
Second Prize: Two Hundred Dollars
Third Prize: One Hundred Dollars

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The Competition was opened on August 1, 1934, and closed on March 1, 1935.

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EXPLANATION

A number of Essays have been received, which are not included in the above list, owing to the fact that their writers were either over age or living in Europe and America. The New History Society nevertheless desires to acquaint the contestants with the names and addresses of the writers of these Essays, because of the fact that they have responded to the same call.

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Honored Sirs:

The New History Society wishes to acknowledge the receipt of your letters regarding the Essays submitted to you.

We are most grateful for the support which you have given to this enterprise, and will never forget this association from which we have gained much in inspiration. Also we thank you for your speedy decision which enabled us to publish the winning Essay in the June issue of "New History."

We enclose herein, for your personal information, a report of your votes in detail, together with the method which was employed in the matter of counting them. We hope that it will meet with your approval.

This report is especially for the information of the Judges. Within a few days we shall release the news to the press, simply giving the names of the winners and those that have received honorable mention, and not including any details of voting.

Again we acknowledge our indebtedness to you and express our appreciation of your kindliness and sympathy as well as of your active cooperation.

Very sincerely yours,

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab

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This letter and "brief Statement" is mailed to Press for Friday afternoon Reception. This is for your information. The enclosed "Final Result" will be released on Friday
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ATTENTION CITY EDITOR

Gentlemen:

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Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler, founders of The New History Society, will hold a Reception at their house, 132 East 65th Street, New York City, on Friday, May 31st, 1935, at 4:00 P. M. The event will mark the official completion of the All-Asia Competition on the subject: "How Can Youth Contribute to the Realization of a Universal Religion?"

A number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Chanler, including some of the Judges, are expected to be present, and representatives of the Press are cordially invited. On this occasion The New History Society will officially announce the results of this Asiatic Competition which covered a period of sixteen months, November 1933 to March 1935.

The Competition held this year, in pursuance of the past policy of The New History Society, fourth in the series of annual competitions, has been most instructive and informing as an index to the aspirations of youth. The Press will be especially interested in learning the viewpoint of the youth of Asia as expressed in the 229 essays, written from fourteen countries by adherents of Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, Zoroastrianism and numerous other faiths.

Most of the essays were written in English but we have had some in Oriental languages, such as Arabic, Hebrew, Turkish, Japanese and Marathi.

A statement will be made concerning the winners of the prizes. Kindly send your photographers along with the reporter. There will be an exhibit of "The Voice of Youth" from the Orient and from the Occident, a special feature arranged by The New History Society.

Very truly yours,

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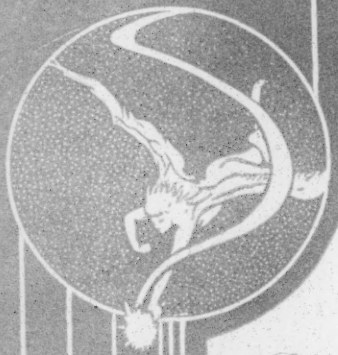

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SECOND PRIZE PAPER

"How Can Youth Contribute to the Realization of a Universal Religion?"

By T. M. P. MAHADEV

Truth is One, men call it in various ways.—UPANISHAD.
The gift of God to this enlightened age is the knowledge of the oneness of mankind and of the fundamental oneness of Religion.—ABDUL BAHA.

I

The good offices that are sought to be done by the League of Nations will be of no avail, if a League of Religions be not ushered into existence. The need for a World-Religion is greater and more urgent than even the need for a federation of states. Most of the evils brought about by race-rivalries, economic competitions and armament-disputes will vanish, if the nations of the world recognize the truth that human nature and needs are fundamentally the same everywhere and that in the eyes of God there is no difference between man and man. All attempts that are made the world over at the achievement of international amity and peace prove, more often than not, to be failures, because they are not inspired by the true spirit of friendship and love which can be had only from an understanding of the universal principles of religion. Peace-pacts, which are products of mutual distrust and rivalry, can remain only as scraps of paper. If the nations of the world are not ranged today in battle-array, it is not because they have an inner craving for peace, but because the ravages of the late war have left them impotent to fight and they have not yet regained their strength.

Though the spirit of bellicosity is not far from the minds of the magnates of power, there is a general recognition, by the peoples of the world as individuals, of the futility of war and the fatal consequences of mutual strife. This is a ray of hope much to be cherished amidst the prevalent clouds of gloom. If this longing for peace were to materialize into a fact, if nations were to dwell as members of the one family of God, there must be the recognition that all creatures on earth are different manifestations of the divine Principle which is the

source and solace of the universe. Unity and peace can be lasting, only if they be based on religion. It is saints and sages, not statesmen and strategists, that can abolish the differences that obtain today between nation and nation.

II

The misrepresentation of religion by interested persons has contributed not a little to discord and disharmony among men. Narrow minds distinguish in order to divide, but those who are in quest of Truth divide in order to distinguish. The very purpose of religion would be defeated, if it served to divide man from man. The word "religion" is derived from Latin words, *re* and *legere* or *ligare*, which mean "to bind" "back." The corresponding Hindu word "Dharma" comes from *dhri* which means "to hold" or "bind together." And "Islam" signifies peace, which is the quintescence of religion. It is the function of religion to unite and not to divide, to spread peace and goodwill and not distrust and discord.

Definitions of religion there are many, according to the different standpoints from which religion is approached. There are intellectualistic, affectivistic and voluntaristic definitions of religion. Philosophers have thought that religion is influenced by the one or the other of the faculties of mind. According to Descartes, the faculty of judgment is determinative of religion. Pascal shifted the emphasis from cognition to feeling. With Kant we have a further transference from feeling to will or practical reason. But all these are partial views of religion. A true conception of religion can be had only from the Messiahs and Masters of the world. Religion is the whole of life, and not a part thereof. "Religion is the manifestation of the Divinity already in man," said Swami Vivekananda. For Jesus, who proclaimed that it shall not profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul, it is the self coming into its own that constitutes religion. Hegel characterised religion as "the knowledge possessed by the finite mind of its nature as absolute mind." The purport of the philosophy of the Upanishads is that the individual self is non-different from Brahman. Muhammad declared the real *kalema* (word) that none other than the "I," the supreme Self, is God. Thus the unitive experience, which is common to all the Prophets, is the essence of religion.

III

True religion is universalistic in its outlook and appeal. Universalism is the core and cream of religion. A provincial truth is a contradiction in terms. Religion which is a value-science cannot be particular and parochial. The priests crib and cabin religion into narrow grooves. The Prophets strip religion of its accretions and preach its truths as having universal application. "The prophetic movement is the basis for universal religion" (George Galloway). All the seers of the world have taught the same principles, though in different garbs. The Upanishads declare that just as cows which are of varied hues yield the same white milk, all the different paths lead to the same goal. The holy Quran makes it clear that teachers are sent to different races, not to preach different truths, but to teach the same Truth in different tongues. The saints and Prophets of the world, who teach that the Reality which is unconditioned by time, space and causation is the basic Principle of the universe, constitute one tribe. It is the lesser minds that create divisions and distinctions.

The more a religion is made mechanical and formal, the more does it become provincial and fail to serve its purpose. The more a religion appeals to the spirit in man, the greater does the range of its appeal become. Though it appears to be a paradox, it is in reality a supreme truth that in individualising religion we are at the same time universalising it. Religion is something inward and personal. It is the inner evolution of the soul. Rituals and rites are helpful only insofar as they contribute to spiritual development. But when they turn to be hindrances rather than helps, the spirit of religion is strangled, and what we have is bigoted ceremonialism instead of benign religion. Too much of institutionalism is inimical to the progress of a religious man. Conventional morality and conformity to set rules cannot make men moral or religious. True religion is incompatible with blind belief. In appealing to the spirit, it appeals to all without distinction of class or race.

What we need today is not the creation of a new religion but an understanding of the true principles that inspired all the great faiths. When people come to know that there is a common bond that binds them together, that whatever may be the names of their religions, they are all adoring and approaching the same Spirit, there will be no more war on earth, no more strife among men.

IV

In the establishment of such an understanding, the youth of the world can play the major part. They inherit all the best that was in the old, and they have the power to create a new civilization avoiding the blunders of the past. They are between two worlds, the one that is dead and the other that is yet to be born. They are the liaison officers who connect the past with the future. As citizens of the morrow, it rests with them to create either a good or a bad world.

The youth possess all the requisites for the realization of a universal religion in the sense we have noticed above. Their minds are least prejudiced and putrefied by blind dogmatics. Youth is the most precious period in life, because it is buoyant with energy and enthusiasm. It is full of idealism and "divine philosophy." The youth of the world, if they but muster together in the cause of universal peace and prosperity, can work wonders; and the millenium will not be far off when the promised kingdom of God would be established on earth.

V

The work before the youth is, indeed, great; but the very greatness of the task ought to inspire them to unstinted action, to put forth an effort which knows no exhaustion, an endeavour which stops at nothing short of the end. Self-preparation ought to precede the education of the world. The youth all over the world, especially under-graduates and graduates of the universities, ought to train themselves to think in terms of universalism. A reverential study of comparative religion and a co-relation of the fundamental truths of all faiths will make them fit soldiers to fight against all superstitions and dogmas which are enemies of peace and goodwill. Caught up in the narrow groove of some cult, the majority among men are ignorant, like the proverbial "frogs-in-the-well," of the vastness, depth and splendor of the ocean that is religion. The youth should wake up from the slumber of ages, leave off the beaten track of blind tradition, and march as the standard-

bearers of Truth. They must realize that "religions" in the plural are appearances, forms, and that "religion" in the singular is reality, content. The formation of study-circles under the guidance of scholars, who are not only skilled in the lore of the various faiths but are also pure in conduct and unprejudiced in thought, will serve as a valuable aid to the youth and prepare them for the work of regeneration by giving them the proper education in religion.

Equipped with the necessary knowledge of true religion, the youth should undertake to instruct the masses. They should purge society of all its misconceptions about religion. Most of the troubles under which we labor are of our own making. After raising a dust, we complain that we cannot see. Quite contrary to the express declarations of the great Prophets of the world, we hold religions to be mutually conflicting. But the mission of youth should be to lift the veils and let in light. Intense propaganda through the press, the platform and the pulpit, convoking of parliaments where people representing different races and cultures could come together and exchange thought, convincing the intelligentsia of the world of the great importance of the movement for disseminating right knowledge about religion, the inauguration of a League of Religions with well-organized branches all over the world—these may be some of the ways by which the youth can make the concept of a universal religion to take seat in the hearts of men.

VI

There is no use in looking forward to a "non-religion of the future" as the Positivists do. If many of the youth are sick of religion today, it is not because religion in itself is baneful to the progress of the individual and of the race, but because religions as preached and practised at the present do not carry the spirit of God. That all men should live in concord and reach the *summum bonum* of life is the one purpose of religion; and if any cult or creed run counter to this object it cannot be called religion, but only the reverse thereof.

All the inhabitants of this earth, and especially the youth, should realize that the various religions are "as pearls on a shining strand." Instead of living in the hope of seeing the day when there would be no religion in the world, if the youth understand that religion is something which is inborn, innate, impossible to sunder from man, recognize "the fundamental oneness of religion," and work with heart and soul for dispelling from the minds of men the appalling ignorance about faith, the day will not be distant when the world will become a veritable paradise of men and women living in harmony and peace, realizing the unity underlying the diverse faiths and beholding the splendid sight of the many coloured lights blending into one Supreme Radiance.

AUM! AMIN! AMEN!

A NATIONAL BROADCAST

On Thursday, June 20th, the National Broadcasting Company generously accorded The New History Society a half hour Coast-to-Coast Hook-Up in which to announce the result of its All-Asia Competition.

The order of the program was:

Introduction by Mirza Ahmad Sohrab.

Address by Honorable T. K. Chang, Acting Consul General of China in New York.

Resumé of the First Prize Paper by Mr. Charles O'Connor and Incidental Chinese Music.

A Section of Exhibit of Activities of The New History Society, in connection with its All-Asia Competition, displayed in the library of the Headquarters on May 31st, 1935.

On this occasion announcement was made to the representatives of the Press regarding the winners of the Prizes.

En Famille

The Close of the Season

On June 22nd the Caravan closed its third active season, being the first in its own Headquarters. This in a certain sense was a happy occasion, for we felt that we had become acclimatized to our new home; that we hadn't shirked its responsibilities; that we had acquired some experience and that we now were to enjoy a period of comparative rest. And when at the end of the evening Janet Osterman emerged like a rabbit from her cramped ticket booth, and Robert Blake left his place at the gate, they agreed with Clara Reiter, and Grace Kopman, and Claire Osterman, workers at large, that: "this was only a try out, next year we will really do something."

The program at eleven o'clock was conducted as usual by Mr. Jack Stern, who gave a short talk which was to the effect, that, while on the surface (of an excellent floor) we had been simply dancing every Saturday night, we were actually trying to make current the ideals of a New Society. This must have seemed a little bewildering to those who were present for the first time, but to us in the Caravan, who live and breathe in the Bahai thought, all avenues of activity can be used to bring out the principle of the oneness of the world of humanity, and the social avenue, being a very popular one, is certainly not to be overlooked.

Following Mr. Stern, Dr. Muzumdar delivered an address on the results of the All-Asia Competition and, in speaking of the Essayists who had written Papers, commented on the fact that a new spirit had become manifest in the East—a spirit which sees Religion in its pristine simplicity and is determined to cleanse it from the accumulated mass of superstitions and customs that have rendered it useless. At this point the word cleansing offered Mr. Sohrab his clue and he read a moving statement which gave account of all the housekeeping that had been going on in the Caravan Hall during the small hours of the morning; announced that a New Order of the Nobility of the Scrubbing Brush had been created and awarded to the Associate Editor of "New History" the striking title of "QUEEN OF THE SOAP-SUDS.' And so the Queen of the Soap-Suds had to come to the platform to receive a bunch of red roses, and acknowledge her title and in so doing, she gave due credit to her instructor in the art of scrubbing, one who for three months has given his time as manager, mechanic, plumber, renting agent and advisor, and she called on Mr. John Wilson to come down from behind the spot-light that he was playing on her, and to his great annoyance, made him step into its circle to accept the thanks of the Caravan.

A final word about a happy evening: The preceding day Mrs. Berthalin Allien had had the luck to sell some possessions that she did not want, making, according to her calculations, three hundred dollars. She went to bed that night with a sense of great satisfaction, and when morning came the very first thing that she did was to make out a check of one hundred dollars to the order of the Caravan. She needed the money, of course, but she thought to herself: "Baha-U-Llah will give it back to me." And that is just what happened. A little later Mrs.

Allien checked up on her sales and found that a mistake had been made in addition, and that the various items sold totaled four hundred dollars. That was a very quick return and most gratifying for, unquestionably, both Mrs. Allien and the Caravan deserve the hundred dollars. —J. C.

"Cleanliness is the Perfume of Paradise."—BAHA-U-LLAH.

Statement read by Mirza Ahmad Sohrab at the close of the Caravan's Spring Season.

Beloved Queen of the Caravan:

In this Fourth year since your ascension to the throne, the Vagabonds and Gypsies reassure you of their allegiance. From the beginning of your reign over your wild, unruly and obstreperous subjects you not only have assisted us with counsels and bounties, but have—queen of our hearts—scrubbed the floors, washed the dishes and swept the surface of this oasis free from the dust of the departing, dancing feet—when the Camping-Ground was deserted and the Princes and Princesses of the court had departed—arm in arm—a little bit unconcerned as to how the floor would shine once more, and as to how the audience-chamber would resume its royal splendor.

During your imperial reign a New Dynasty of Lords and Ladies has been founded. You have ennobled the scrub woman; knighted the dish washer and crowned the floor sweeper. Henceforth the humble water pail and the wash cloth, the broom and the mop, the waxing-machine and the dust-pan shall constitute the glorious symbols of the Caravan. Therefore let the Scribes of the Kingdom take note of this Proclamation, and let the Artists of the Court design appropriate scutcheons and insignia for the NEW ORDER OF NOBILITY. Let the Heralds announce, throughout the bazaar and in the market-place, that the dust-pan is the prize most to be coveted, and that the broom is the highest decoration. Further, let it be known that Her Majesty welcomes those Vagabonds and Gypsies who deserve these symbols, and that her favorites shall consist of those lords and ladies who practice the cleansing ARTS.

Queen of the Soap-Suds!

You have worked here in the wee hours of the night. The scraping and polishing machines have sung their songs into your ears. A few of us have heard the melody and there are yet others who have capacity to enjoy this music. You have labored to prepare this Festive Hall for us. If we cannot do more than you, we cannot do less.

Queen of the Soap-Suds!

Once more we offer you our hands—ready hands to wield the broom. Once more we present you with our hearts—hearts filled with love. Our feet are swift to carry your message to the ends of the world:

"Let the Earth be purified from all dirt. Let the Vagabonds and Gypsies polish the Globe with star-dust."

A New Order of Cleaners Have Appeared on the Scene!

Brief Account of Finances of the Caravan

Rent of the Hall
For three months—$450.00

Rentals taken in	$187.50
Net receipts from Saturday evening Dances	222.50
Total of sums contributed since April 1st by Mrs. Allien, Mr. Chanler, Mrs. Charles Clarke, Bishop Fisher, Miss Ruth Peppers, Mr. John Peterson, M. A. Sohrab	99.30
Donation on Closing evening by Mrs. Allien	100.00
	$609.30

A detailed account of expenditures in alterations and running expenses will be given later.

ACTIVITIES

Hindu Dance Lessons

Bhupesh Guha, Hindu teacher of Aesthetic and Folk Dance, is offering free lessons to girls, between the ages of 8 and 14 years, twice a week—Mondays and Thursdays — during the month of July, from 11 A.M. to 12 A.M. at the Caravan. For detailed Program write to the Secretary of the Caravan, 132 East 65th Street.

The Caravan Hiking Group

will continue, during the months of July and August, its Sunday excursions in the vicinity of New York.

Leader: Joseph Martin.

For detailed Program write to the Secretary, 132 East 65th Street.

Out of the Mailbag

Middletown, Conn.—You sent us five of the boys letters from the Federated Maylay States. I was quite thrilled to think that a Chinese boy from the other side of the world had written the letter that came to me and that his hands had touched it.

I wrote as good a letter as I could to him and all our class wrote letters to the school. . . .

My teacher gave a world good-will talk to a gathering of children. She said the Globe was her text: "The world is every child's home."

"My country is the world, all mankind are my countrymen." . . .

We hope you can publish the Junior Caravan every month some day. Three months is a long time to wait for a boy like me.

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Pullman, Washington — It should also be of interest to know that the existence of multitudes of religions of the civilized world—some of them slightly different from the others and worst of all, antagonistic to each other —has lost my confidence and faith in any of them. This mocking, opposing each other's religion-dilemma has troubled me, puzzled me even while still back home—so that I thought one still had a religion, Faith in the Lord, without joining any of them. Your expounding of universal fellowship and a universal religion which tend to promote peace, has not only reawakened my faith and closer thoughts of God, but also supplied the very answer of what I've been looking and longing for.

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Halifax, Canada—Peace can certainly never be attained as long as munition makers are permitted to operate without control, fill their pockets with their ill-gotten gains and in many cases, dictate to governments and peace conferences. Neither will peace be brought about successfully as long as blind patriotism and nationalism are rampant. We must, in the words of

Arthur Henderson, bring about the union of all countries "and set aside every consideration of national interest and prestige." . . . Our young people today are being filled with national pride and tradition. The truth is being withheld. The blacker side of governmental diplomacy down through the ages is being suppressed. All we hear is the glory of Canada, of the Empire, or in your case, of the United States. Such teaching is quite all right in its place, but is it to be permitted to obscure the wider vision of universal brotherhood?

Are such statements by Mussolini as "War bears the same relation to man that maternity bears to woman" conducive to world peace? Perhaps war finds its ultimate roots in the so-called pugnacious instinct, but can be not find some successful way of sublimating this instinct so that it will be productive of universal, economic and social well-being?

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Information Section of The League of Nations, Geneva, Switzerland—Just now I have read that the Caravan is at long last going to have a home of its own. Heartiest congratulations to you and your friends for finding this "oasis." My colleagues and I wish you and your organizations ever-growing success in the future.

In these troubled times, the progress of the Caravan is bound to be slow and uphill; but that is no reason why one should be discouraged. As a matter of fact, the light shines the brighter in a dark night, and it is the darkest just before the dawn—so let none of the Caravan be downhearted. Let the torch held aloft by the Caravan guide others who are timid or slow and let these light their beacons as well, following your footsteps.

Budapest, Hungary—I am extremely interested in your work, and so are more of my friends of the University who asked me to write you about an eventual cooperation with your noble and successful work in America!

We would very much like to take a part of this very actual and necessary propaganda, when Europe is in the flame of hatred and war.

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Manila, Philippine Islands—I shall ever be thankful for the book which you sent me (ABDUL BAHA IN EGYPT) and for your periodicals and pamphlets. In this connection then, allow me your sacred token wherein to express my hope and yearnings for a Universal Brotherhood and a Universal Religion.

The dawn of another day, the harbinger of a new era is now gleaming upon the horizons of every perfect creation. The day may be lowering, the night too dark, yet I know the sun is shining.

My words are yet so young. The crude hour of seeking has guided me so far. I know I need some more light. But I know I am not alone, even as we are not alone. I speak of myself of things so hidden in the language of love.

I shall not venture too far. The years are yet so many and youth so young and wayward. Let only the progress of time and eternity bear witness of tomorrow.

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Tokyo, Japan—A tide of religious revival is at its full just now in Japan, where such indications are best seen in the newspaper advertisements of publications which show that religious books and magazines occupy a large space in many of the papers. On the

other hand, this sudden revival gives one the feeling that the religious bodies, mostly Buddhist, are making their last effort in a struggle against the tide of the times which threatens to flood them into complete oblivion. A really great religion that would come out of the struggle, unconquered and even invigorated, must be a universal religion founded on reason, for faith merely founded on authority is too insecure a basis for any thinking person. Even in the Middle Ages—perhaps more so than in some of the periods following —this was realized by the founders of the Catholic theology. Thomas Aquinas and Duns Scotus were notable examples. Buddha, we know, mastered all there had to be learned of philosophy existing in his time. Rhys David's remark, that the sutras show the same mental vigor that is seen in Plato's dialogues at their best, is quite true, when the vast amount of frills and literary ornaments have been removed from his teachings as written down by his disciples so many years after him. You know there are more than 3,000 volumes to the Buddhist *Tripitaka* which have accumulated in the course of the ages.

I am fortunate enough to have in possession about 1,000 of them which are considered the essential part of the Tripitaka, containing all of the teachings of the Buddha and the principal Abbidamma pitakas, or commentaries by Buddhist philosophers. They are translations in Japanese from the Chinese of the Han era when Sanscrit scholars came to China and translated them into the Han language. In respect of Mihayana Buddhism, therefore, Japan enjoys the possession of the most complete literature.

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Federated Malay States—We may now endeavour to encourage men and women to realize the responsibilities of life, to make them feel for others, and help one another.

Perhaps we have not come to a stage to be able to force the hands of FATE —perhaps we can never force the hands of NATURE—but the ages will slowly pass and time will weave the pattern into Design.

Looking over the past we see fragments of broken links. We gather them up and draw parallels. We are reminded of the sons of Joseph, born of an Egyptian wife, being drawn into the TWELVE SACRED TRIBES—the Emblem of the TWELVE SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC.

Slowly but steadily the most despised will be given an equal chance with those, who, up to now, have been the most favoured. The Negroes, the Arabs, the Hindus and the other races that, up to now, have been regarded as "enemies" will gradually be drawn into Universal Co-partnership for the benefit of all, for the uplifting of mankind and for the betterment of the race. This will all point to one object —the merging of all religions into one.

Perfection will begin to shine when men and women will understand their Zodiacal affinities and group themselves together to sweep away the unnatural frontiers, and answer the "GLORY OF GOD."

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Federated Malay States — A great Swami, Shuddhananda Bharati, of Sri Aurobindo Asram, Pondicherry, India, has just issued a book in Tamil on the Lives and Teachings of 80 Great Men of the World, and you will be happy to hear that five pages are allotted to the life and teachings of Abdul Baha. I am making a translation and hope to be able to send you next week, for

your perusal. This book of the Swami is selling well and I am glad that our people will come to know what Bahaism is.

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Poona, India—This is an age in which the amazing advance of natural and social sciences has revolutionized the outlook of men and nations. Occasionally, they very gloomily reflect upon the fate of the western civilization. In such a condition, I am delighted to see the unconquerable optimism of The New History Society, and over and above it an aspiration to establish universal peace and cosmical brotherhood. I have the greatest regard for your ideals; ideals which are to be attained by obeying and conquering Nature by means of the Highest Knowledge.

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Ramnagar, South India—The more we contemplate upon the life and teachings of Baha-U-Llah, the more we are dazzled by the light of the supreme vision which he had attained. He had not the vision for himself alone but also cast the glorious splendor of it on mankind so that all the peoples of the earth might live in harmony and peace through the inner realization of the oneness of all beings in this world. May victory ever attend all your endeavours in carrying the message of the Great Master to the heart of every nation, community and individual of the world.

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Kanhangad, India — The gradual transformation coming on the mentality of people of all countries heralds the birth of a new consciousness which seeks to dissolve the invidious and unnatural distinctions that have so long kept them at war with each other. The Divine voice is not only surcharging the atmosphere with its insistent call for unity and harmony in the world, but is also being attentively listened to, and acted upon. We are on the brink as it were of a great and momentous change. The task for us is to follow that Divine voice so that it may enter into the hearts of all men and awaken them to the realization of the oneness of the Spirit in these apparent diversities of life.

"And wherefore practice hate and place between the races
National boundries that shrink from sight of God,
Of frontiers in Heaven, do we see any traces?
The blue, is it spaced by a measuring rod?
Oh Patriotism! term to express greed and lying.
Cannot compassion step beyond its native sod?
Tear into bits those flags, for lo a voice is crying:
'Let Selfishness acclaim the country of its birth,
While love claims the earth.'"

—Extract from LAMARTINE (1790-1869) Translation.

I HEARD HIM SAY

FROM THE UNPUBLISHED DIARY OF MIRZA AHMAD SOHRAB
KEPT WHILE HE WAS IN THE SERVICE OF ABDUL BAHA.

On the Two Aspects of Man

Every creature is possessed of one aspect or reality, but man is possessed of two aspects or realities. Consider the sentient beings: they, whether upon the earth or in the air, manifest but one aspect. The mountain, the meadow and the desert have one mineral reality; the trees, the flowers and the fruits have one vegetable reality; the quadrupeds, the birds and the fishes, have one animal reality; while man has both human reality and spiritual reality. Thus he is different.

Man in his human aspect is of the animal kingdom and consequently is captive to Nature; but in his spiritual aspect, he wields a power which the animals do not possess, and by it is distinguished from them. Although enthralled by Nature in the physical, he is Master of Nature in the spiritual—becoming the discoverer of the verities of things. So when the spiritual aspect is trained and the intellectual forces developed, man attains a pinnacle wherefrom he can unravel the secrets of Nature, penetrate the purposes of creation, understand the accomplishments of past cycles and measure the events of the future. It, therefore, is evident that a divine power resides in him.

Reflect upon the extent to which man is Nature's captive. The slightest draught may chill him, unaccustomed heat will incapacitate him, and a tiny mosquito bite can prove deadly to him. At the same time, his mind or his ideal reality is victorious over phenomena, and with these assets, he conquers the world of Nature.

An Arab boy leads a thousand camels through the desert. How can he do it? Not through his bodily strength. Man dries up the lands or floods it at his will; he breaks through the mountain or descends into the earth. By means of his genius, he creates industries and develops the delicate arts and crafts. From Europe, he discovers America; from the East, he communicates with the West; from the surface of the globe, he explores the starry firmament. Physically he is not able to overcome a panther or a wolf, but spiritually, he subdues all animals. The holy power in man is one of the Divine Bestowals. It is a sign of the power of God.

Now the physical aspect is dependent—food, water, sleep are needed, and if these are not available, man dies. Likewise, the spiritual aspect requires sustenance and if deprived, it also shall perish.

Therefore the divine Manifestations have appeared so that the ideal reality of man might be fed.

An Event in the Publishing World

"LIGHT FROM THE EAST" is the tentative title of a book now in preparation under the able editorship of Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar, distinguished author, lecturer and editor—a book which will represent the fruits of intensive research into, and critical analysis of, the Papers received in the All-Asia Competition of 1934-1935, conducted by The New History Society on the subject:

"HOW CAN YOUTH CONTRIBUTE TO THE REALIZATION OF A UNIVERSAL RELIGION?"

Besides the Four Prize Papers the book will contain significant and beautiful extracts from a large number of the Essays received; nine soul-stirring Messages to the youth of Asia sent by the Members of the Award Committee, as well as a special Message by Lord Ponsonby, and a critical appraisal of the mind of the New East by the Editor.

With its various sections the book promises to be a valuable source of information to the research scholar and a mine of instruction and of enjoyment to the layman, while in an especial sense it should be indispensable to the leaders of religious thought the world over.

That it is being prepared under the editorship of Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar is a sure guarantee of the scholarship and utility of the Book. For fifteen years Dr. Muzumdar of Bombay, India, has been engaged in the United States of America in the task of interpreting the Orient to the Occident, notably the significance of the message of non-violence brought to the fore by Mahatma Gandhi. Dr. Muzumdar received his training in America, earning his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from the Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois; and his Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin. His scholarship was recognized by the award of fellowships both at Northwestern University and at the University of Wisconsin. He taught Sociology for a while at the University of Wisconsin. Author of "GANDHI THE APOSTLE" (1923) and of "GANDHI VERSUS THE EMPIRE" (1932), Editor of "India Today and Tomorrow Series," Dr. Muzumdar, knowing as he intimately does the mind of the East as well as of the West, will undoubtedly turn out a scholarly work of rare merit.

Review from:

The Adhyatma Prakasha
Bangalore City, India

"1. Renaissance:
2. Living Pictures:

Both of the above works describe Bahaism and its universal character. The first is a booklet giving the history of this cause in 26 pages. The second presents the same in greater detail in a picturesque language. The biographies of the Bab, Baha-U-Llah and Abdul Baha disclose the facts that courage, adventure, patience and universal love are provided for man to the degree to which they may be needed. The story cannot be dismissed as the invention of ingenious fancy, since the occurrences narrated cover so recent a period as between 1844 and 1920. Those who wish to study how slowly and surely the Religion of Universal Love is spreading all over the globe, will find here an important Act of that glorious Drama of Miracles. The get-up of the book is excellent; there are 25 illustrative photographs. It is impossible for the reader to lay down the book before he has finished it."

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TO THE JUDGES IN THE 4TH INTERNATIONAL
COMPETITION OFFERED TO THE YOUTH OF ASIA

Mr. Devere Allen
Dr. Henry A Atkinson
Dr. William Edward Burghardt DuBois
Dr. Frederick B. Fisher
Dr. John Haynes Holmes
Dr. John Howland Lathrop
Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar
Prof. Nicholas Roerich
Dr. Jabez T. Sunderland
Rabbi Stephen S Wise

Honored Sirs:

It is with extreme happiness and justifiable pride that The New History Society is mailing to you, under separate cover, the manuscript of the book tentatively entitled "Light From The East."

For the last three months Dr. Muzumdar has been busily engaged in the preparation of this work. The contents of the book embody a critical appraisal of the Fourth International Competition of The New History Society offered to the youth of Asia on the subject, "How Can Youth Contribute to the Realization of a Universal Religion?" Without Dr. Muzumdar's scholarly understanding and his untiring devotion, this labor of love would not have been realized.

We know that you will read this book with greater spiritual appreciation than the 23 essays submitted to you for your decision. The extracts from the numerous essays in the section entitled "Sheaves of Truth" are as significant as if not more significant than the contents of the prize essays.

We hope that you will accept this manuscript for your library with the compliments of The New History Society. We are planning to submit this manuscript to some publishers, and your comment will be very valuable. We trust you will share with us your criticism and reaction to this book.

Dr. Muzumdar joins me in sending you his greetings.

Sincerely yours,

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
DIRECTOR

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Greetings. May the new season of activities be full of meritorious deeds both for yourself and for the cause of good-will which we all have at heart!

I am sure you have already received a copy of LIGHT FROM THE EAST. It took me three months of intensive labor in the summer to edit the vast material received from the youth of Asia. Immediately after the book was finished, I left New York City to attend two conferences - one at Williamstown and the other in Chicago. Now that I have returned to the city, I want to devote myself wholeheartedly to the task of getting the book published by a first-rate publishing house.

You can materially assist me in this venture. Will you be good enough to devote a few hours - no more than ten - to a perusal of the book? In view of the issues involved - good-will or ill-will between Orient and Occident - you will certainly not consider ten hours of your time a great sacrifice. At that I do not believe it will be a sacrifice. The hours you spend reading the book will be among the pleasantest you ever spent. I affirm that on the strength of my intimate acquaintance with the contents of the book. Here, as nowhere else, you are brought face to face with the soul of the Orient.

A critical appraisal of the book on the basis of a careful perusal - that is what I need most immediately from you. Inquiries have already begun to come in from most of the countries of the world. Simon & Schuster have had the manuscript with them for three weeks - a good sign. I talked to their editorial staff and was informed that the book is being read by the various members of the staff.

One of the members of the Board of Judges for the Religious Book-of-the-Month Club, after a cursory glance at the book, sent in word to the effect that we should let them see the proofs of the book for an appraisal by their Board. Of course, my aim is higher still: if merit be the criterion, this book ought to be selected by the Book-of-the-Month Club as well as by the Religious Book-of-the-Month Club.

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois #2 September 27, 1935

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I don't know how soon you can get at the book but the sooner you can do it the better. The New History Society is already in possession of letters of appreciation from some of the judges as well as from other competent critics.

To strengthen our case before the publishers we need your critical appraisal and comments.

Sincerely yours,

Haridas T. Muzumdar

Haridas T. Muzumdar

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THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY

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June 1935

Dear Sir:

The New History Society takes the liberty of enclosing herein the Advance Announcement of its Fifth International Competition offered to the entire youth (male and female, up to the age of Thirty, natives and permanent or temporary residents) of Africa, Alaska, Australia, Canada, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Tasmania and the Islands belonging to these continents and countries, for the three best papers of not more than 2,000 words, to be written on the subject: "How Can Youth Develop Cooperative and Harmonious Relations Among the Races of the Earth?"

This Advance Announcement contains all the information that we can give at this time and we send it to you in the hope that it may, through the various institutions, newspapers, magazines and individuals, spread the news of this undertaking. We would be most grateful if you would help us in this. If there is need of more copies of this Advance Announcement and the application blank, as well as the literature of The New History Society, we will be more than happy to mail it to you on your demand. We think that a competition of this nature will appeal to the Youth of this generation and hope that it will result in a practical evolving program that may guide the many agencies devoted to racial adjustment.

We thank you for any assistance that you may feel able to give us in making this competition better known to the young people of your country.

It would also be a great service if you would send us any items which may appear in the press concerning this effort of The New History Society.

Very sincerely yours,
Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
Director

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ADVANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

OF THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL PRIZE COMPETITION

of

THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY, OF NEW YORK, U. S. A.

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To be Offered Officially in November, 1935,

To the Entire Youth (Male and Female, up to

the Age of Thirty, Natives and Permanent or

Temporary Residents), of

AFRICA, ALASKA, AUSTRALIA, CANADA,
NEWFOUNDLAND, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA,

and the Islands belonging to the above-
mentioned Continents and Countries,

For the Three Best Papers, of not more than

2,000 words, to be written on the subject:

"HOW CAN YOUTH DEVELOP COOPERATIVE AND HARMONIOUS RELATIONS

AMONG THE RACES OF THE EARTH?"

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First Prize: Three Hundred Dollars
Second Prize: Two Hundred Dollars
Third Prize: One Hundred Dollars

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To the Leaders of the Nations, the Members of the Cabinets and Parliaments, the Governors of the States, the Elders of the Communities, the Ministers of Education, the Presidents and Principals of the Universities and Colleges, the Teachers of the Schools, the Instructors of Religion and the Publishers and Editors of the Journals and Newspapers of Africa, Alaska, Australia, Canada, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Tasmania and the Islands belonging to the above-mentioned continents and countries:

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Honored Sirs:

Conscious of the vast responsibilities that await the younger generation; convinced of the fact that the hour has struck for the emergence of the Principle of World Citizenship, and seeking, therefore, a scientific and ethical solution of the race problem which shall engender a new educational system, inculcating inter-racial consideration and amity, and teaching the inhabitants of the earth the art of getting along together usefully and happily -

The New History Society, the aim of which is the establishment of an international, integrated life between the peoples of the East and of the West, plans to announce officially in November, 1935, the offering of three Prizes:

First Prize: $300.00
Second Prize: $200.00
Third Prize: $100.00

to the entire youth (male and female, up to the age of thirty, natives and permanent or temporary residents) of Africa, Alaska, Australia, Canada, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Tasmania, and the Islands belonging to these continents and countries, for the three best Papers of not more than 2,000 words, on the subject:

"HOW CAN YOUTH DEVELOP COOPERATIVE AND HARMONIOUS RELATIONS AMONG THE RACES OF THE EARTH?"

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This will be the Fifth Competition conducted by The New History Society.

The First was offered to the students of the Universities and Colleges of the United States, on the subject:

"HOW CAN COLLEGES PROMOTE WORLD PEACE?"

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The Second was offered to the students of the Universities and Schools of Europe, on the subject:

"HOW CAN THE YOUTH OF THE UNIVERSITIES AND SCHOOLS CONTRIBUTE TO THE REALIZATION OF A UNITED STATES OF THE WORLD?"

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The Third was offered to the students of the Universities and Schools of South and Central America, Mexico, the West Indies, and adjacent Islands, on the subject:
"HOW CAN THE YOUTH OF THE UNIVERSITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS CONTRIBUTE TO THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE HUMAN COMMONWEALTH?"

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The Fourth was offered to the entire Youth of Asia (up to the Age of Thirty) and of the Islands surrounding that Continent, on the subject:
"HOW CAN YOUTH CONTRIBUTE TO THE REALIZATION OF A UNIVERSAL RELIGION?"

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Copies of the Twelve Prize-Winning Essays by the Youth of the United States, Europe, Latin America and Asia, will be mailed free of charge to any part of the world, on application.

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Following are the names of some of the striking personalities which have acted on the various Award Committees of the successive competitions:

Dr. Ricardo J. Alfaro, Minister of Panama to the United States of America
Devere Allen, Editor of "No Frontier News," "World Events"; author of"The Fight for Peace"
Dr. Henry A.Atkinson, General Secretary of "World Conference for International Peace Through Religion"
Rt. Hon. The Viscount Cecil of Chelwood, M.A., D.C.L., L.L.D., Chancellor of the University of Birmingham; President of the League of Nations Union
Dr. John Dewey, Columbia University
Dr. William Edward Burghardt DuBois, Atlanta University; Author of "The Souls of Black Folk," "Darkwater", etc.
Dr. Frederick B. Fisher, Minister, Central Methodist Episcopal Church, Detroit, Mich.; Author of "That Strange Little Brown Man Gandhi"
John Haynes Holmes, Minister, Community Church of New York
Dr. John Howland Lathrop, Church of the Saviour, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Don Salvador de Madariaga, Spanish Ambassador to France
Professor Gilbert Murray, L.L.D., D. Litt., Oxford University and President of the Executive Committee of the League of Nations Union
Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar, Editor of "India Today and Tomorrow"
Professor W. E. Rappard, Institut Universitaire de Hautes Etudes Internationales, Geneva, Switzerland
Dr. Adrian Recinos, Minister of Guatemala to the United States of America
Professor Nicholas Roerich, Explorer, Artist, Founder of Roerich Museum
Dr. Jabez T. Sunderland, Author of "The Orient and Liberal Religion," and "Rising Japan"
Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Free Synagogue

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WHY THIS COMPETITION?

The New History Society, in quest of a scientific, humanitarian and spiritual solution of the race problem, addresses itself to Youth - Arbiter of the World Tomorrow.

It requests Youth to blaze a new thought-trail toward a practical, constructive, and evolving program that shall enlighten and guide the many agencies devoted to racial adjustment.

There are races in far-off corners of the earth, as well as in the more congested industrial centers of modern civilization, which are "crying in the night" for a "fair

chance"; asking for the boon of a "New Deal"; and their appeal is that Youth shall try to solve their collective problems - to the end that they may develop into wholesome and contributing sections of a New World Community, with their members vital and responsible citizens of a New Social Order.

The New History Society asserts that the establishment of World Peace, the reconstruction of Society, the equalization of the Rights of Man and the translation of the dreams of the Prophets and economists into actuality are each and all impossible without the solution of the race problem. The ignoring of this challenge, or hesitancy in bringing the problem fearlessly to the forefront of discussion, is tantamount to an acknowledgement on the part of Youth of moral and intellectual impotence, and we do not believe Youth is prepared to admit of its social bankruptcy.

The New History Society itself feels an obligation regarding this question of Race Adjustment in an ever-increasingly interlocking civilization - this question, so acute, so pressing, so inescapable. Further neglect would unquestionably bring upon civilization dire misfortune and unmeasured catastrophe.

YOUTH!

Humanity is shot through and through with race prejudices, race suspicions, race fears. There are races laboring under tremendous handicaps; others which are ruthlessly exploited. Millions, scattered all over the earth, are praying that the case of their tragedy be brought before the tribunal of mankind. Who will do it? Who will lead all of us out of the fog of ignorance, misunderstanding and miscalculation? Shall it not be you?

YOUTH!

Let your pure reason and your untrammelled conscience prove or disprove once and for all, and for all the world, the dogma that certain races are inherently inferior in capacity, in character, and even in blood. We would like you to deal with this subject scientifically and reasonably - for if you can explode the Race Superiority and Inferiority theory - lo! you have paved the way for the development of cooperative and harmonious relations among the races of the earth; you have lifted a torch that shall illumine the path of the leaders of every nation; you have laid the foundation of the millenium.

YOUTH!

The New History Society urges you to create a plan for the appearance of a World Order, based upon the inalienable rights and privileges of all races, to be developed through mutual aid and solidarity. Do you think that there is possibility of cultivating a sound world of inter-racial thinking?

Tell us frankly and boldly; Why are certain races relatively backward? Is backwardness inherent? Or is it primarily the result of environment and opportunity? Why do we ostracize and even penalize certain races legally, economically, socially and intellectually? Why?

Likewise, why the cold, deliberate and calculated legislative, judicial and executive tyrannies, on our part, to crush and frustrate the innocent and just efforts made by some races toward self-education and economic independence?

Furthermore, is not the physical deterioration and moral degradation shared when one social group continuously exploits another social group? Which suffers more - the exploiter or the exploited?

And is it not a fact that the race problem of one country is an aspect of a world-wide problem, which, if not fairly handled and wisely treated, may develop into a most bitter racial warfare, disastrous for all?

YOUTH!

What have you to say about our conventional attitudes toward the people of other races, our claims of superiority, our lack of consideration, the limitations we lay on those whom we choose to count inferior, the petty humiliation which we heap upon them? What can you say? Can you defend these archaic laws and customs on the basis of justice - justice not merely legal, but the justice of the Infinite?

It is well for Youth to realize that if a definite and far-reaching plan emerge from this competition, if some clear recommendations are made toward the solving of this problem justly, reasonably and generously, a notable example will be set for the educators, the governmental authorities and social workers the world over.

YOUTH!

You know that the segregation of certain races to a definite area has been and yet is prevalent in many parts of the world, and it must be admitted that this measure arbitrarily imposed by one race on another is, and will more and more become, a serious cause of racial disturbance in the various parts of the earth. We would like to receive your candid opinions regarding this matter which is considered by students of social organization as a most difficult and weighty phase of a critical problem.

The New History Society considers that, equal to the sin of taking life, is the sin of limiting opportunity for self-expression, self-culture and self-unfoldment. Then why are obstacles placed in the way of sections of the human family? Why, in these cases, are the most elementary privileges withheld? In God's name, why? Have some not arrogated to themselves the right to be witness, judge and jury, all in one? Who gave them this authority? Have they not usurped it, on the basis of the facts that for the time being they happen to be the richer and possessed of more machine guns and bombing planes?

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YOUTH!

In the gain or loss of one race, all other races gain or lose. The foundation of inter-racial solidarity must be inter-racial reconciliation - a multi-racial civilization in which the spirit of fair play and cooperation, inspiring all the people of the earth to work together as One, will create a safer, a saner and a more balanced world.

YOUTH!

From all parts we hear the murmurs of your dissatisfaction; on every hand, we note the tokens of your unrest. You declare that your parents, your elders, and your teachers have filled your minds and hearts with the accumulated superstitions, venomous hearsays and enormous iniquities of an exploded past! Beware! Beware, lest you walk in their footsteps, and hand down to your children the same accumulated superstitions, the same venomous hearsays, the same enormous iniquities - grown more irksome and more incongruous because that you, in a more enlightened age, have added your own acquired limitations to the already monstrous load.

YOUTH!

It is time to bring into action your wise initiative and constructive leadership, for this same world which is now yours will tomorrow be the world of your children and grandchildren. Give us an educational program that will eradicate traditional misunderstandings and abolish race theories based upon false assumptions.

YOUTH!

The various races have been climbing the rough and precarious mount of life on different trails. The hour has chimed when they must forge on together. There should be no more sequestered paths, no more blind alleys, no more walled avenues,

but a single highway on which the whole of humanity shall tread, ascending in One Company to the international, inter-religious, inter-economic and inter-racial Plateau from which it shall conduct the affairs of man.

YOUTH!

You are endowed with purity of mind and integrity of character! Give to the world a new vision, a new wealth, a new zest, a new power, and at the same time restore to it the original Principle of Truth obscured by the ages.

Something must be done now. Mankind cannot be kept forever half enslaved and half free. It can no longer endure the spectacle of itself--half illiterate and half educated; half starving and half replete; half afflicted with diseases of all kinds, and half in the pink of condition; half shivering, and exposed in tatters and rags, and half strutting in silks, broadcloth and ermine; one great group ill-treated, ill-trained, trampled and ignored, and the other great group selfish, pampered, arrogant, insolent, blustering and impertinent.

YOUTH!

It is your birthright to take a hand in the solution of this race problem, because you are part of it. It is your privilege to strike for the actual freedom of all races, and a place in the sun for all peoples. You alone can lead us to the deep springs of human sympathy that ever stir and bubble in the neglected groves of our consciousness; you alone can teach, command and rouse us to remove the stumbling-blocks that our ancestors have left in their wake. You can cleanse us from the "sin of contempt" and free us from the bogus theory that some particular race or races are divinely elected or divinely doomed to perpetual mastery or servitude. You alone can cancel the orders: "You may learn this much and no more", "You can progress thus far and no further".

YOUTH!

Let the sun of your divine resolution rise upon the horizon of this New Day scattering the clouds that enshadow the lives of so many races, lifting the pall of bitterness from the souls of men and setting them to sing with spontaneous joy and acclamation in that the champions of humanity, the heralds of a World Commonwealth, have entered at last upon the arena of goodwill and service.

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Realizing the fact that the continents, countries and Islands constituting the homes of the Youth to which this Competition is offered are widely separated; being aware of the length of time that will be consumed in reaching the institutions and individuals, and taking into consideration the diversity of opportunities among the peoples, races and nations inhabiting these states, with their many prevalent languages, we feel that we are not premature in issuing this preliminary notice in advance of the Official Announcement.

The keynote of The New History Society is preparedness! The readiness is all.

We, therefore, consider that the work of promulgating the news of this coming competition should start NOW with all earnestness, zeal, thoroughness and continuity; and with this thought in mind, we beg those in authority to make mention thereof to their people.

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We request the Publishers, Editors and Journalists of the monthly, weekly and daily magazines and newspapers to translate this announcement into their native languages and thus, in their own ways, communicate its contents to the vast numbers of their

readers and subscribers, so that the entire body of YOUTH will have opportunity to take cognizance of this Competition and, at the proper time, address itself to the given subject. Also, we urgently request that marked copies of any publications in which this announcement may appear, be mailed to our New York office, as we wish to preserve at our Headquarters as complete a record as possible of this international campaign, not only for the time being, but for future times.

We enclose with this announcement some leaflets of The New History Society. Further information of this Competition and other free literature will be supplied on request.

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Points which should, at this time, stand out clear and definite are as follows:

1. There are Three Prizes: Three Hundred Dollars
Two Hundred Dollars
One Hundred Dollars

2. The Subject of the Competition is:
"HOW CAN YOUTH DEVELOP COOPERATIVE AND HARMONIOUS RELATIONS AMONG THE RACES OF THE EARTH?"

3. The Competition will be open to the entire Youth (male and female, up to the age of Thirty - natives and permanent or temporary residents) of Africa, Alaska, Australia, Canada, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Tasmania, and the Islands belonging to these continents and countries, regardless of educational affiliations or qualifications.

4. As there are before us several months in which to broadcast the news of this Competition, no person should undertake the writing of his or her Essay before he or she acquires the printed copy of the Final Conditions, which shall contain the names of the Judges, the languages in which Essays may be written, and various important details. The Final Conditions will be printed and made available in November, 1935.

5. We request the governmental, educational and religious authorities, as well as all those who are interested in the subject of the Competition, to spread widely the news of this intellectual contest and at the same time give us any suggestions that may come to their minds relative to its actual organization. Especially we ask the favor of their sending us at the first opportunity the names and addresses of such individuals and institutions as would be interested in receiving the Official Announcement bearing all the Conditions.

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WORLD COMPETITION

The New History Society begs to announce, at the close of the Fifth Competition, toward the end of the year 1936, it will present its Final Competition (subject and prizes to be announced later) to the inhabitants of the entire world - East, West, North, South - with neither age nor educational limitations. The population of our globe will be invited to take part.

This last effort will close the educational campaign initiated several years ago. For this reason, we would very much like to keep in close touch with our friends and coworkers in all parts of the world, retain our contacts and correlate our correspondence so that, at the time when the World Competition is announced, we may have the continuance of their support and encouragement. Our watchword to all our friends:
"KEEP THE LINE OF COMMUNICATION UNBROKEN!"

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab, Director, The New History Society

THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY

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July 15, 1935

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NUHISTORY, N. Y.

Dr. W. E. Burghardt DuBois
226 West 150th Street
New York City

My dear Dr. DuBois:

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It was very good to hear your voice over the phone and to know that we shall again have your intellectual and sympathetic cooperation in our Fifth International Competition. Under separate cover I am sending you the advance announcement of this Fifth Competition.

Mr. Devere Allen and Dr. Muzumdar have already accepted to act as judges in this enterprise. As I told you we have mailed several thousand copies to all parts of Africa, Australia, New Zealand and Canada and quite a large number of inquiries have come, especially from Africa. We are hoping that this racial subject will invoke a great deal of interest, the fruit of which will be better and more intimate cooperation between the two races both here and abroad.

Again I thank you for your acceptance to act as a judge and I can assure you that Mr. and Mrs. Chanler and myself are very grateful to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab

Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
DIRECTOR

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INFORMATION FOR THE JUDGES

Regarding the selection of the Prize Winning Papers in the Fourth International Competition of The New History Society offered to the Youth of Asia on the subject:

"How Can Youth Contribute to the Realization of a Universal Religion."

METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES

In order to measure the votes of the Judges a ratio of three counts is given to every vote cast for First Prize; two to every vote cast for Second Prize and one to every vote cast for Third Prize.

On this basis Louise Pin Yen Chang receives 16 counts and therefore is the winner of the First Prize; T. M. P. Mahadev receives 9 counts and is the winner of the Second Prize; Dr. K. A. Hameed receives 6 counts and is the winner of the Third Prize. Paul Ri is next in line receiving 5 counts. Owing to the fact that the voting for the Third Prize was extremely close, and wishing to include a representative of Japan among the Prize Winners, The New History Society, after consulting with two of the Judges, has taken the liberty of awarding Two Third Prizes.

FIRST PRIZE PAPER

The Paper of Louise Pin Yen Chang - #94, was selected for First Prize by:

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Mr. John Haynes Holmes
Dr. Frederick B. Fisher
Dr. Henry A. Atkinson

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For Second Prize by:

Dr. Jabez T. Sunderland

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For Third Prize by:

Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar
Mr. Devere Allen

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For Honorable Mention by:

Dr. John Howland Lathrop

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Result:		
	Four Votes for First Prize	12
	One Vote for Second Prize	2
	Two Votes for Third Prize	2
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SECOND PRIZE PAPER

The Paper of T. M. P. Mahadev - #104, was selected for First Prize by:

Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar
Miss Frances Grant

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For Second Prize by:

Rabbi S. S. Wise

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For Third Prize by:

Mr. John Haynes Holmes

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Result:		
	Two Votes for First Prize	6
	One Vote for Second Prize	2
	One Vote for Third Prize	1
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THIRD PRIZE PAPER

The Paper of Dr. K. A. Hameed - #67, was selected for First Prize by:

Mr. Devere Allen

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For Second Prize by: Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar

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For Third Prize by: Rabbi S. S.Wise

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Result:		
	One Vote for First Prize	3
	One Vote for Second Prize	2
	One Vote for Third Prize	1
		6

SECOND THIRD PRIZE

The Paper of Paul Ri - #97, was selected for Second Prize by:

SECOND THIRD PRIZE (con't.)

Miss Frances Grant
Dr. John Howland Lathrop

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For Third Prize by:

Dr. Jabez T. Sunderland

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Result	Two Votes for Second Prize	4
	One Vote for Third Prize	1
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FOR HONORABLE MENTION

N. K. H. Bharucha	Honorable Mention by Dr. H. T. Muzumdar
Philip Koo Lip Chuan	Honorable Mention by Dr. F. B. Fisher
C. D. Deshmukh	One vote for First Prize by Dr. J. H. Lathrop
Yukiko Isobe	One vote for Second Prize by Mr. Devere Allen
	One vote for Third Prize by Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
	One vote for Third Prize by Miss Frances Grant
	Honorable Mention by Dr. F. B. Fisher
Lee Kassardjian	One vote for Third Prize by Dr. J. H. Lathrop
Naîm Nasîm Khouri	Honorable Mention by Dr. Henry A. Atkinson
Shoji Kimura	One vote for Third Prize by Dr. F. B. Fisher
	One vote for Third Prize by Dr. Henry A. Atkinson
S. Govinda Menon	One vote for Second Prize by Mr. John Haynes Holmes
	One vote for Second Prize by Dr. Henry A. Atkinson
	Honorable Mention by Dr. F. B. Fisher
Cyril Jenner Modak	One vote for First Prize by Rabbi S. S. Wise
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V. N. Rao	One vote for First Prize by Dr. Jabez T. Sunderland
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FINAL RESULT OF

FOURTH INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

of

THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY
132 East 65th Street, New York, N.Y., U. S. A.

Offered to the Entire Youth of Asia (Up to the age of Thirty)
on the subject:

"HOW CAN YOUTH CONTRIBUTE TO THE REALIZATION OF A UNIVERSAL RELIGION?"

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The Competition was opened on August 1, 1934,
and closed on March 1, 1935.

Two Hundred Twenty-Nine Essays submitted,
Fourteen Countries of Asia Participating.

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DISTRIBUTION BY RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION

Buddhism	3
Christianity	70
Hinduism	81
Islam (Mohammedanism)	19
Judaism	1
Zoroastrianism	7
Miscellaneous	48
Total	229

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DECISION OF AWARD COMMITTEE IN FOURTH INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

	NAME	ADDRESS	RELIGION	AGE
First Prize $300.00	Miss L. P. Y. Chang	c/o Mr. C. T. Li, Chinese P. O., Foochow, China.	Buddhism and Christianity	25
Second Prize $200.00	T. M. P. Mahadev	44 Nagappier St., Triplicane Post, Madras, India.	Hinduism	23
Third Prize $100.00	Kazi Abdul Hameed	Yawal, District East Khandesh, Bombay Presidency, India.	Islam	29
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Shoji Kimura	No. 27, 1-chome Minami, Sakuma Cho, Shiba, Tokyo, Japan.	None	26
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Cyril Jenner Modak	Premashram, Jubbulpore, C. P., India.	Christianity	28
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AN EPOCH-MAKING EVENT IN THE PUBLISHING WORLD

Announced By

The New History Society Of New York, U. S. A.

"LIGHT FROM THE EAST" is the tentative title of a book now in preparation under the able editorship of Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar, distinguished author, lecturer and editor -- a book which will represent the fruits of intensive research into, and critical analysis of, the Papers received in the All-Asia Competition of 1934-1935, conducted by the New History Society of New York on the subject:

"HOW CAN YOUTH CONTRIBUTE TO THE REALIZATION OF A UNIVERSAL RELIGION?"

Besides the Four Prize Papers the book will contain significant and beautiful extracts from a large number of the Essays received; nine soul-stirring Messages to the youth of Asia sent by the Members of the Award Committee as well as a special Message by Lord Ponsonby, and a critical appraisal of the mind of the New East by the Editor.

With its various sections the book promises to be a valuable source of information to the research scholar and a mine of instruction and of enjoyment to the layman, while in an especial sense it should be indispensable to the leaders of religious thought the world over.

That it is being prepared under the editorship of Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar is a sure guarantee of the scholarship and utility of the Book. For fifteen years Dr. Muzumdar of Bombay, India, has been engaged in the United States of America in the task of interpreting the Orient to the Occident, notably the significance of the message of non-violence brought to the fore by Mahatma Gandhi. Dr. Muzumdar received his training in America, earning his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from the Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois; and his PH. D. in Sociology from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin. His scholarship was recognized by the award of fellowships both at Northwestern University and at the University of Wisconsin. He taught Sociology for a while at the University of Wisconsin. Author of "GANDHI THE APOSTLE" (1923) and of "GANDHI VERSUS THE EMPIRE" (1932), Editor of "India Today and Tomorrow Series", Dr. Muzumdar, knowing as he does intimately the mind of the East as well as of the West, will undoubtedly turn out a scholarly work of rare merit.

CUT THIS AND MAIL IT

The New History Society
132 East 65th Street
New York, New York
U. S. A.

Gentlemen:-

I am interested in the new book, tentatively entitled "LIGHT FROM THE EAST", edited by Dr. Haridas T. Muzumdar. Please notify me as soon as the book is published.

Remarks, if any:

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Name _____
Address _____
City & State _____
Country _____

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A BRIEF STATEMENT CONCERNING THE ANNUAL COMPETITIONS HELD BY THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY OF AMERICA.

1. The New History Society was founded by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler on April 5th, 1929, with the cooperation of Mr. Mirza Ahmad Sohrab, disciple of Abdul Baha. Mr. Sohrab has been Director of the Society from its inception.

2. The purpose of The New History Society is the promotion of international fellowship and good-will in accordance with the teachings of Baha-U-Llah and Abdul Baha.

3. Among its various activities directed toward mutual understanding and good-will, The New History Society has since 1931 held annual competitions among the youth of the several parts of the world:-

   A. In 1931, on the subject:

      "HOW CAN COLLEGES PROMOTE WORLD PEACE?"

      Board of Judges: Devere Allen, Dr. John Dewey, William Floyd, James G. Mc Donald, Kirby Page, Tucker P. Smith, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.

      Contestants - Students enrolled in the Colleges and Universities of the United States.

   B. In 1932, on the subject:

      "HOW CAN THE YOUTH OF THE UNIVERSITIES AND SCHOOLS CONTRIBUTE TO THE REALIZATION OF A UNITED STATES OF THE WORLD?"

      Board of Judges: Devere Allen, M. Emil Borel, Rt. Hon. Viscount Cecil of Chelwood, M. Salvador de Medariaga, Professor Gilbert Murray, Col. Picot, Professor Ludwig Quiddle, Professor W. G. Rappard.

      Contestants - Students enrolled in the Schools, Colleges and Universities of Europe.

   C. In 1933, on the subject:

      "HOW CAN THE YOUTH OF THE UNIVERSITIES AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS CONTRIBUTE TO THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE HUMAN COMMONWEALTH?"

      Board of Judges: Dr. Ricardo J. Alfaro, Devere Allen, Dr. Esther J. Crooks, Miss Frances R. Grant, Hubert C. Herring, Dr. Adrian Recinos, Albert Rambao and Charles A. Thompson.

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      Contestants - Youth of Asia (up to the age of thirty), including those enrolled in institutions of learning and those not so enrolled.

4. Upon the decision of the Board of Judges the three best Essays in each competition have been annually awarded respectively $300, $200, $100.

5. The New History Society has already received the decisions of the Board of Judges for the Asiatic Competition; plans are now being made to invite representatives of the embassies of the different Oriental countries whose nationals have won the prizes. The date for the award of the prizes will be announced to the guests and the Press at the Reception held by Mr. and Mrs. Chanler at their home, 132 East 65th Street, New York City, on May 31st, 1935.

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APPLICATION BLANK

To be filled in and mailed to

THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY
132 East 65th Street
New York, N.Y., U. S. A.

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I am interested in the forthcoming Fifth International Competition of The New History Society to be officially opened to the entire youth (male and female, up to the age of Thirty, natives and permanent or temporary residents) of Africa, Alaska, Australia, Canada, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Tasmania, and the Islands adjacent to these continents and countries, in November, 1935, on the subject:

"HOW CAN YOUTH DEVELOP COOPERATIVE AND HARMONIOUS RELATIONS AMONG THE RACES OF THE EARTH?"

In November, 1935, please mail me ___ copies of the Final Conditions, which will state the neames of the Judges, the languages to be permitted, and other information controlling the Competition.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

COUNTRY _____

Please write below any suggestions that may render this Competition of greater social value to humanity, and make it better known to the youth of your country:

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Indicate the names of a few influential and liberal leaders and institutions (with addresses) in your country, whose cooperation, in your opinion, would promote the conducting of this plan.

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GENERAL REMARKS: _____

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(If sufficient numbers of this Application Blank are not available in your vicinity, copies may be made, filled in and mailed to the address of the Society.)

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STORY OF THE COMPETITIONS

offered by

THE NEW HISTORY SOCIETY

The New History Society, founded in New York on April 5th, 1929, the principal aim of which is the establishment of an international integrated life between the peoples of the East and of the West, has, in the last few years, been conducting a series of competitions offered to the younger generation of each continent.

These competitions have been organized with the purpose of learning the opinion of youth on world problems and of disseminating it among the leading educators, statesmen and publicists of every country.

The competitions with Prizes in each instance of $300, $200, $100. have been offered as follows:

FIRST: In 1931, to the students of the Universities and Colleges of the United States, on the subject:

"HOW CAN COLLEGES PROMOTE WORLD PEACE?"

Two Hundred and Seventy-one Papers were received from as many students attending one hundred and fifty-six Universities.

WINNERS OF PRIZES

First Prize: Leonard L. Kimball, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
Second Prize: Rufus E. Miles, Jr., Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio.
Third Prize: Irving S. Cohen, College of the City of New York, N. Y., N. Y.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Five Special Prizes of $25.00 each were awarded to Maurice Gurko-Lewis Institute, Chicago, Ill., Carl E. Hopkins-Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H., Herman Wolf-University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa., Dale Riley Johnson-Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., and Sidney Goldstein-Brown University, Providence, R. I.

The Prizes were awarded by a Committee composed of: Mr. Devere Allen, Dr. John Dewey, William Floyd, James G. McDonald, Kirby Page, Tucker P. Smith and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.

The awarding the Prizes took place in May, 1932 at International House, New York City.

SECOND: In 1932, to the students of the Universities and Schools of Europe, on the subject:

"HOW CAN THE YOUTH OF THE UNIVERSITIES AND SCHOOLS CONTRIBUTE TO THE REALIZATION OF A UNITED STATES OF THE WORLD?"

Four Hundred Students from two hundred Universities in twenty-six countries of Europe participated in the competition.

WINNERS OF PRIZES

First Prize: Russell M. Cooper-Institut Universitaire des Hautes Etudes Internationales, Genova, Switzerland.
First Supplementary Prize: René Billères-Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, France.
Second Prize: Daniel Shor-Instituto di Scienze Sociale et Politiche, Florence, Italy.
Third Prize: R. Kazansky-Université de Toulouse, Toulouse, France.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Seventeen Special Prizes of $10.00 each were awarded to Hermann Wirtz-University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland; Jean Morton-London School of Economics, London, England; Robert Katz-University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland; Georges Fangeau-University of Lyon, Lyon, France; Lily Grossman-University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria; Pierre Leferro-University of Paris, Paris, France; Liou Tse-Houa-Conservatoire Nationale des Arts et Métiers, Paris, France; Hans Keilson-Friedrich-Wilhelm University, Leipzig, Germany; Marin Samarind-University of Bucharest, Bucharest, Rumania; Henri Cornil-Free University of Brussels, Belgium; Wiktor Weglarz-University of Jagiclonski, Krakow, Poland; E. Duyvente Du Wit-University of Utretcht, Holland; Gabriel Bodis-Hungarian Royal Francis-Joseph University, Szeged, Hungary; Ernest Weinfeld-Deutsches University, Prague, Tcheko-Slovakia; Vladmir Lobedoff-Belgrade University, Belgrade, Yougoslavia and Evanghelos Vacianos-University of Athens, Athens, Greece.

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Fifty-seven students from the following countries took part in the competition: Argentine, Bermuda, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominion Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru, Porto Rico, Salvador and Uruguay.

WINNERS OF PRIZES

First Prize: Senor Celso Frota Pessoa-Escola Politocnica da Universidado do Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
Second Prize: Senorita Martha Garcia Ochoa-Universidad de la Habana, Habana, Cuba.
Third Prize: Senor Nephtalie G. Leon-Universidad Central, Quito, Ecuador.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Six Special Prizes of $10.00 each were awarded to: Senor Donato Gerardi-Faculdad de Derecho y Ciencias Sociales de la Universidad de Buenos Aires, Beunos Aires, Argentine; Senor Roberto Pecach-Faculdad de Derecho y Ciencias Sociales de la Universidad de Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires, Argentine; Miss Joan N. Harvey, Mount Saint Agnes Academy, Ireland Island, Hamilton, Bermuda; Senor T. G. Elio-The University of San Andres, La Paz, Bolivia; Ramon J. Mejia-Universidad de la Santa Domingo, Santa Domingo, Dominican Republic and Philippe Jocelyn-Lycee Petion, Port-Au-Prince, Haiti.

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The awarding of the Prizes took place at the Headquarters of The New History Society, New York, N. Y.

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FOURTH: In 1934, to the Youth of Asia (up to the age of thirty) and of the Islands surrounding that continent, on the subject:

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Two Hundred and Twenty-nine Papers were received from fourteen Asiatic countries by the adherents of Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, Zoroastrianism and numerous denominations.

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SIDELIGHTS ON THE COMPETITIONS

The winning papers in the three previous Competitions were published in "NEW HISTORY", monthly journal of the Society, and were quoted either in full or in part in other publications and newspapers. The same procedure will be followed in regard to the winning papers of the Asiatic Competition.

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Awarding Prizes in All-Asia Competition - On Friday May 31st at 4 P.M. in the presence of members and friends as well as the representatives of the Press, the New History Society made public the names of the Prize Winners. Mr. Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler, Mirza Ahmad Sohrab, Dr. Haridas Muzumdar, Miss Frances Grand and Dr. John Howland Lathrop delivered short talks on the significance of the competition and the wide publicity gained for the cause of Universal Religion. A diversified and interesting Exhibit in the Library portrayed vividly the progress of the New History Society since its inception in 1929, its literature in 26 languages, its successive competitions, its numerous publications and its affiliated movements, such as The Green International, The Caravan and The Junior Caravan. The Exhibit was on display for several days and those who had an opportunity to see it had a concrete glimpse into the ever-expanding activities of the Society.

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The First Prize Paper of the United States and Europe were broadcast over N. B. C. and an outline of that of Latin America was given by Dr. Ricardo J. Alfaro, Minister of Panama over the same network.

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National Broadcast - On Thursday, June 20th, from 4 to 4:30 P.M., the National Broadcasting Company again generously accorded The New History Society a coast to coast Hook-up in which to announce the result of its All Asia Competition. The order of the Program was:

Introduction by: Mirza Ahmad Sohrab
Address by: Honorable T. K. Chang, Acting Consul General of China in New York.
Resume of the First Prize Paper read by Mr. Charles O'Conner and incidental Chinese music.

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THE VOICE OF YOUTH. (From the West) A leaflet entitled the "Voice of Youth" containing extracts from Papers in the three previous Competitions has been available for free distribution.

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Copies of the Prize Papers, ten inspiring messages from the Judges to the Youth of Asia and a stirring communication written by Lord Ponsonby, Chairman of the War Resisters International, will be mailed free of charge to any part of the world, on application.

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FIFTH INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

The New History Society has already distributed the Advance Announcement of its Fifth International Prize Competition offered to the Youth (up to the age of thirty) of Africa, Alaska, Australia, Canada, Newfoundland and New Zealand, and the Islands belonging to these continents and countries, on the subject:

"HOW CAN YOUTH DEVELOP COOPERATIVE AND HARMONIOUS RELATIONS AMONG THE RACES OF THE EARTH?

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WORLD COMPETITION

At the close of the Fifth Competition which will occur in the middle of the year 1936, The New History Society will present a WORLD COMPETITION to the inhabitants of the earth, without regard to age, sex or educational qualifications on the subject:

"HOW CAN THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD ACHIEVE UNIVERSAL DISARMAMENT?"

THE POPULATION OF THE ENTIRE GLOBE WILL BE INVITED TO TAKE PART.

PRIZES

FORTY PRIZES RANGING FROM ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO FIFTY DOLLARS.

Inasmuch as the WORLD COMPETITION entails great and energizing preparation and an earth-wide publicity, The New History Society feels that the broadcasting at this date of the preliminary announcement is not premature.

It trusts that whosoever becomes acquainted with this plan may spread the news near and far - so that as time goes on, slowly but surely, the various branches of the human family may become aware of this offer and at the appointed time, address themselves to the given subject. Application Blanks for WORLD COMPETITION can be obtained <u>now</u> from the Headquarters.

This last effort will close the educational campaign initiated several years ago. For this reason, The New History Society desires to keep in close touch with its many friends and co-workers throughout the five continents and the Islands, retain its contacts and correlate its correspondence - so that when the <u>WORLD COMPETITION</u> is officially announced, it may have the continuance of their support and encour-

agoment. Its watchword to all its friends:-

"KEEP THE LINE OF COMMUNICATION UNBROKEN"

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WORLD COMPETITION FUND

TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS is needed to pay part of the expenses of the WORLD COMPETITION. The New History Society has issued a "Special leaflet" in which a call is made upon the inhabitants of the globe to contribute sums, both large and small to "WORLD COMPETITION FUND". In this way, every individual is in a position to help and to give the people of the world a chance to register their opinion on the question of Disarmament. If you desire to know the Why and the Wherefore of the WORLD COMPETITION, write to the Secretary for "WORLD COMPETITION FUND" leaflet and it will be mailed to you.

For further information as well as the free literature write to:

The Secretary
The New History Society
132 East 65th Street
New York City, N. Y.
U. S. A.

Cable Address, Nuhistory, New York.

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"MEANING OF RACE AND CULTURE"

MESSAGE OF PROFESSOR ALEXANDER LESSER

to the youth of Africa, Alaska, Australia, Canada, Newfoundland, New Zealand, and the Islands belonging to these continents and countries, in connection with the Fifth International Competition of The New History Society.

(The New History Society takes great pleasure in releasing to the Press, the Educational Institutions and its friends the following significant Message from Professor Alexander Lesser, Anthropologist, Columbia University, New York. This is a distinct and vital contribution to the cause of race adjustment, in connection with which our Competition was proposed on the subject:

"How Can Youth Develop Cooperative and Harmonious Relations Among the Races of the Earth?"

This message reveals our own conviction regarding the world-wide struggle to attain a basic objective; complete social, economic and political opportunities for all, regardless of race, color, religion or national origin.)

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Dear Young People:

The world in which you are growing up has inherited hatreds from the past. In the interest of a better world for human life, it must be your mission to learn why these hatreds tear men apart and prevent them from a common effort to improve the destiny of man. The focus of these hatreds today is the race prejudice and bias which everywhere challenges attention. I am addressing these words to you in the hope that they may help you to understand how empty these racial claims really are, and in the hope that you will think about these questions deeply and write essays in this competition which may help us all to better understand the part we must play in the development of cooperative and harmonious relations among men.

Nazi race theories like Nordic race conceptions in general are new versions of old ways of avoiding thinking. Their case rests fundamentally upon the dogma that race is fixed and immutable and that the racial element in man is the determinant of human character and behavior. To those who, by reason of prior bias or ignorance and an incapacity for thinking, may be herded by emotional appeals into the camp of racialists, these lines are not addressed. It is doubtful if sober fact can undermine ancient walls of prejudice, buttressed as they are by vested self-interests. But to those who set themselves to the thankless tasks of enlightenment and the reduction of human social problems to social control, these elementary considerations on the subject of race may prove useful. It is not a new story, and only the necessity of keeping clear thoughts on race in the foreground, justifies continued restatement of essential ideas.

The racialist point of view can be reduced to two simple themes, endlessly reshuffled and redealt. The first is that a "something" called race is responsible for all the important traits of character and personality of men and women; and the second is that that "something" called race is in the germ plasm, is fixed and unchangeable,

and transmitted from generation to generation it unfolds in each generation its typical flowering of personality and culture.

CATCHWORD?

What is that something called race? It is a sad commentary on the inertia of even the scientific mind that as yet there is no widely understood clarity on the subject even in the ranks of science, although pioneer leadership has been offered for more than a generation by Franz Boas and a handful of followers. For the attack upon the confusion and ambiguities of the race concept at the hands of a few scientists has been basic and fundamental, but the essential revolutionary character of the assault has not been realized.

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In many quarters an eclectic adjustment has been made. Writers offer incidental cautions and qualifications while they still carry on with the traditional ideas. But persisting habits of thought dominate so that the essential direction of thinking in many quarters still is that of an outmoded past. In other fields of science, such as those of the physical sciences, the pace is swifter because there is less room for social prejudice and emotion to dominate the laboratory.

The books on races still reproduce the fetishes of other days. When the world of varied peoples was discovered, description of their traits of body and of mind began. From the early beginnings there has persisted the attempt to describe men in terms of a selection of traits, such as skin color, hair color and type, eye color, head shape, nose height and width, facial and bodily proportions, and so on. Because of inadequate analysis of problems and methods, this procedure was used to describe men by groups, and was taken to be description of race. As Boas has phrased the matter, "Nobody had tried to answer the question why certain measurements were taken, why they were considered significant ..." It was enough that a procedure of description and measurement existed, that instruments were available, and that everybody accepted the results as descriptive of race. The dead weight of habits transmitted from the past is still here. Still implicit in the minds of many scientists and most laymen is the idea that there is something called race which is measurable and describable, and that their difficulties in coming to agreement on the problems of measurement and description are due to the inherent complexities of the phenomena. Few if any among those who measure race realize that in the sense of past conceptions race, like ether, is a meaningless catchword. In the sense in which the term is used by racialists, there is no such thing as race.

POPULAR FICTIONS

Let us begin with the simple issues. Race is taken as a term to stand for a group of mankind who share certain physical characteristics in common. It can have two meanings, viz., it can refer to a group which is conceived to share characteristics which are genetic. In the first sense, what actually is done is to take a given number of traits and describe statistically their incidence in a population, thus - what is the percentage of blue eyes and other colors? of blondness of hair? what is the range of stature and weight? the average of bodily proportions and head and face indices? If nothing further is claimed, all that has been

done in a case of this kind is to describe the population in reference to these traits. I shall not concern myself here with the uses of such statistical description, for depending upon one's purpose the description of populations, if it is made instrumentally, may have use. I concern myself rather with its abuses. What usually is done is to skip rather blithely over the fact that all that has been done is to describe a population in reference to certain traits and to assume one or the other of two additional facts, either that for undefined reasons the group so described shares other traits which have not been measured, or to assume that because the group shares certain selected traits it is a genetic group, that is, that its members are related by common ancestry.

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The first of these is too obvious an error to concern us here. I may describe objects by color until I am blue in the face and I can never reach judgments about the weight or shape of those objects.

The second of the assumptions brings us to the second sense in which race is taken, viz., that it refers to a group whose members share genetic traits. The reason this assumption is tacked on to the merely descriptive treatments of groups should be clear: If the traits considered are merely descriptive; that is, if they are of no weight in understanding the hereditary composition of the group, then whatever the uses of descriptive studies of groups they cannot be used to define the hereditary traits and limitations of "races." Since that is the real objective of the race classifier and race protagonist, he takes the easy road of assuming that descriptive characteristics are hereditary traits. Authorities are always at hand to support him, because any number of men before him have made the same assumption. But counting heads does not establish facts though it may tally attitudes and opinions, and what we want to know is can the assumption be made and if so under what conditions.

There is one obvious condition which would justify the use of descriptive racial treatments as analyses of racial heredities, and which would permit the use of race as a term for a group who share genetic traits. That condition is of course that the traits used as definitive of the group be genetic, that the traits measured and described in treating populations be traits that are biologically determined by hereditary factors alone. Unfortunately for the racialist's assumption, the traits he so often uses have in many cases never been studied as to whether they are hereditary or not, and in other cases have been proved to be subject to environment influences. In so far as traits are influenced basically by outer conditions, it makes no difference for the genetic assumption how completely a population may share the traits, since such complete sharing would merely mean that the outer conditions were surprisingly uniform and their influence basic. Hence the hereditary character of traits cannot be proved by statistical treatments of populations but can be proved only by considerations independent of these, viz., by actual studies of the functioning of these traits in strict biological inheritance from parent to offspring.

CONSIDER GENETICS

But we need not here confine ourselves merely to a hesitant unwillingness to accept racial findings until traits have been proved genetic or rejected as conditioned greatly by environment. The matter can be attacked on more fundamental logical grounds.

Suppose we assume that the student of race will confine himself to the consideration of traits which are strictly genetic. He will

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determine first of all, before making any statistical or descriptive use of a characteristic to delimit race, that the trait is one which is strictly inherited and unaffected by other conditions. Then he will consider this trait and its incidence in populations. In such a consideration of genetic traits, the student must accept the findings of the geneticist as to the relation between one genetic trait and another. Modern genetics no longer stresses unit characters and unit determinants, but its results nevertheless indicate that although the appearance of a hereditary trait is determined by a complex of conditions, that same complex of conditions is not necessarily the determinant of another hereditary trait. The linkage between hereditary traits cannot be assumed but must be proved, and most traits are determined independently of one another by differing sets of conditions. Subject to proof of the special linkage of traits, then, we can inquire what procedure can be followed in the description of races in using hereditary traits which for the most part are independently determined.

If race is a term which stands for a grouping of people who share hereditary traits, then in a strict sense the possession of one trait in common by members of a group defines that group as a race. For in so far as that trait is concerned, since it is strictly hereditary, members of the group share that much common ancestry. Since it cannot be assumed that a second hereditary trait will necessarily be shared by the same group of members, when we consider another genetic trait we must define the group which shares it as another race. For example, if blondness of hair is strictly inherited, all those who have blond hair share common ancestry to that extent and form a race from the standpoint of that trait. Then if we consider a certain range of bodily proportions as strictly inherited, those who are of that range form a race by definition. Now unless the two traits are linked in inheritance these two groupings or races are different. There are some members common to both groups, and some in one but not the other. Those who share both blondness of hair and the selected range of bodily proportions belong from this standpoint to two races. They share common ancestry with two differing groups. If this procedure is carried further, it will be found that for each trait of human heredity which is statistically handled in reference to the human population of the earth, a somewhat different group or race will be defined. Any human individual will then be found to belong to an indefinite number of races, according to how many traits we care to consider. This of course is another way of saying that the inheritance of every human individual is mixed.

Of course, says the racialist, this may be good logic but it is biological nonsense. No one would try to define as a race a group who shared only one inherited trait. A race must be understood to be a group who have in common many hereditary traits.

If we pursue our logic along those lines, what do we find? If instead of considering those who are all blond a race, and those who have a common range of bodily proportions, we take as a race those who are both blond and of that bodily proportion, it will be noted that only some of each of the two groups are included in the overlapping. Part of group A are excluded and part of group B. If we now consider group AB and ask what happens to it when we add a third genetic trait, such as facial proportions, what we find is that some of group AB share common facial proportions and some do not. When we eliminate those lacking the proper facial proportions group ABC necessarily is smaller than group AB. This

procedure can be carried out indefinitely and it will be found that every time another genetic trait is introduced as a definite characteristic, the group who share all the traits considered becomes smaller. The ultimate limit of this regress is obvious: When all traits have been exhausted we will find that we have established a class of one member - we will find that every human individual is himself a race alone and apart if all the traits of his inheritance are considered. There is a single exception to this statement - identical twins would share identical inheritance; the quintuplets from this standpoint are the largest race alive. The result reached by this consideration is another way of saying that in some respect the inheritance of any human individual is unique, is different from that of all other individuals save identical twin siblings of the individual considered.

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Apparently genetic definition of large human groups as races is not possible. Between using only one trait to define a race, and using as many as possible up to the ultimate limit, where shall the line be drawn? And why? What significance can it have to assert that such and such a number of hereditary traits is enough for a definition of race?

There is one way in which a certain selection of genetic traits could be considered adequate, and that is, if it can be shown that the possession of certain traits implies the possession of others. In other words, if some traits are signs or indicators of the total inheritance of individuals or groups, they could be taken as indicators of race. But as has already been indicated, that any two traits are linked or connected in inheritance so that the presence of one means the presence of the other, is not something which can be assumed. It must be proved. Until such linkage is proved, the fact that a given group of men share some selection of traits, such as headsize, hair and eye color, bodily proportions, facial length, etc. even if these traits are assumed to be genetic does not prove they share any other genetic traits whatsoever, whether anatomical traits, physiological traits or characteristics of mind and temperament are at issue.

LET'S TRY COMMON SENSE

Is this too nihilistic a position? Often one is asked, "What then is race?" "How shall the word be used?" "Isn't it true then that Negroes are different from Europeans?" And so on. Let us revert to the fields of common sense. Nothing that has been said denies that men differ in physical traits. The question that concerns us is whether these differences taken collectively (in reference to groups) have any genetic meaning, and if so what it may be. A consideration of genetic principles by ordinary reasoning establishes that the color of a man's skin, no matter how strictly hereditary it may be, cannot be assumed to give us any information about his musical ability, his capacity for abstract reasoning, or his talent for communism.

The difficulty is that the term race has had a meaning in the past which can have no significant sense in the laboratory of science. Race is thought of, like time and space, as some kind of an entity, with substance and body to it. We have come to see that we know nothing about a something called time, that all we know is that we measure the relations between events which happen in terms of their succession or contemporaneity. Our measurements of temporal relations is all that time means scientifically. Similarly, space no longer needs an ether to fill

it, because all that space means to science is that there are methods for the measurement of the location of events and objects in relation one to another. Race, similarly, needs to be reduced from its high sounding status to a humbler position. The physical differences between men can be measured and described, but these measurements and descriptions no matter how carefully made do not point to the existence of some racial entity that can be conceived outside of an apart from the procedures of measuring themselves. If the measurement of physical likenesses and differences is the measurement of race, race is merely another word for the technics or procedures of measurement. It becomes a fact then, not that headform is an index of race, but that the measurement of headform, as a procedure, is what we mean by the measurement of race. Race is headform instead of headform being an expression of race.

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If this operational view of the matter be understood, the difficulty that we face is to decide what justification there is for assuming that a great variety of procedures for dealing with a great variety of human traits have any common or related meaning. Many physical traits can be measured by exact instruments, lengths and proportions of the body and of body parts. Other physical traits, such as those involving color judgments, cannot be handled so exactly. Still more inexact are procedures by which measurement of mental characteristics are attempted. When a considerable variety of these qualities have been reduced to data of differing degrees of exactness, what relation between the data can be assumed? What justifies the attitude that these varying procedures have all measured race? In terms of operations all that can be asserted is that by definition if the procedure of measuring headform is to be called measuring race, and if the procedure of measuring stature is to be called measure race, and if the procedure of describing hair and eye color is to be called race, then race is merely a term for all these varied and mutually incommonsurable technics of measurement taken together.

STRAIGHT THINKING IS NEEDED

With this in mind it becomes meaningless to inquire whether race is the determinant of culture, of intellectual and emotional attitudes. If what is intended is to ask whether inheritance is the fundamental condition of cultural aptitudes, the inquiry must be limited to controllable genetic situations and cannot be identified with group or race problems. From the same operational standpoint it becomes meaningless to argue that the intelligence of a race can be measured and determined. For all that can be done by means of procedures is to describe a human group or population in terms of some selected trait or traits, such as skin color and hair type, and then to inquire what degree of correlation there may be between the presence of these traits and ratings on intelligence tests. In attempting to measure the intelligence of the Negro race, what we actually do is to ask whether there is a correlation between dark brown skin color and intelligence quotients. This of course is a possible statistical calculation, but the literature of experiments in correlation is littered with calculations which were possible statistically and futile in the nature of things. We do not ask whether blond horses are smarter than black ones, because we have no a priori prejudice against skin color in horses. Variation of pigmentation in domesticated animals like horses is the same physical phenomenon that variation in pigmentation is in man, the self-domesticated animal.

Those who have the courage to think need to establish fresh

lines of thought on race. There is no biological foundation for racial claims, and there can be none. Whatever may be established by genoticists about human heredity, the findings cannot be superimposed upon human populations. The findings of the genoticist refer to strict inheritance in family lines, from parent to offspring. Until a population is proved to be a family line, the genetic findings do not apply. No modern populations are constituted of a single family line, or even of a few connected family lines. The inheritance of all human groups is diverse and varied.

As there is no race biology upon which racial theories can be founded, so there is no need for racial assumptions about human temperament and character. The necessary and sifficient conditions for understanding the phenomena of human personality are at hand without these assumptions. The intellectual life of man is determined not by his inheritance but by the social and cultural conditions of his experience.

Race attitudes, race theories and race problems must be reduced to the place where they belong, the realm of social phenomena. As social and political problems of the present, race questions must be understood and attacked in social terms, and must be analyzed in terms of social and political conditions. The social analyst who attacks these questions along social lines need lose no sleep over the claims of the racialists. Their theories are meaningless fantasies which must be met as blind prejudice or wilful propaganda. Nothing need be granted to the truth of their assertions. They are a tissue of confusions and outworn falsehoods.

I hope you will all consider these facts and weigh them and in your own thought and writing help to bring these simple truths to the attention of men everywhere.

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My dear Dr.DuBois:

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Thanking you and with kind regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

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Mr. Fred Moore
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My dear Mr. Moore:

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My dear Dr.DuBois:

Mr.Fred R.Moore has asked me to write you in answer to your letter of the 10th, and to thank you for your kind offer.

The deadline on copy for that issue will be September 28th. I would appreciate hearing from you prior to that date, however, with the title of your article so that we may advertise same.

Appreciating your interest, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Ludlow W.Werner,
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220 West 150 Street
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September 16, 1935

Mr. Fred R. Moore
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My dear Mr. Moore:

Enclosed is a little article which you may use in your anniversary number if you find it suitable.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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[NEW YORK AMSTERDAM NEWS]

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November 22, 1935

Mr. Davis
Publisher of the
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2293 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

I am preparing an article about the Negro in unions and I am very much interested in the recent strike at your office. I should like very much to have such facts as you can give me. Whatever you have published or anything that you would care to write.

It is charged, on the one hand, that some Negro business men are making considerable profits, but are paying much lower wages to their workers than similar white businesses. If you could give me any facts on this point in your own experience, I should be obliged, and particularly, I would like to know if in your experience a Negro weekly newspaper is properous enough to pay current union wages to their employees.

I should be very much obliged for any information.

Very sincerely yours

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November 26, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois
Department of Sociology
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Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. Dubois:

We are pleased to give you the following description of the history of the dispute between the publisher of The Amsterdam News and a number of its employees who are on strike;

The Amsterdam News has been in debt for some years. In May of this year (1935), the suggestion was made and carried out that new features be added to the newspaper and the price be increased to ten cents. It was thought that if this might be done without a great loss in circulation the income of the paper could be increased.

The experiment was costly. From May until October, the obligation to our printer increased $8,000. Circulation dropped 14,000 from an original figure of 32,000. Each week the deficit grew until it reached $800 and the firm's reserves and credit were exhausted. It was imperative that some economies be effected if the business were to continue.

Our plant divides itself into three departments: business, editorial and printing. During the past year, nearly a dozen persons had been dropped from the business department without being replaced. We retain a skeleton force in that department. We first applied ourselves to the printing department. We had been printing seven different editions. We reduced these to one at a saving of more than $200. We then decided to prune in the editorial department. A total of 51 persons was on the payroll in that department, ranging from the home office staff to correspondents, special writers and artists. The first discharges struck three of the nine persons in the home office and five part-time workers outside the office.

Five of the six persons left in the home editorial office rebelled when three were discharged. The first open breach between employer and employees was then

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Before that time, however, there had been some disaffection, a description of which is necessary to a complete understanding of the controversy.

Early in 1934, a unit of the New York Newspaper Writers' Guild had been formed among the employees of the editorial department of The Amsterdam News. The employer took no position in relation to this except that in her own mind she saw little necessity for it and was somewhat apprehensive that the new unit might be the cause of future trouble. Every member of the home office staff belonged to this Guild unit. None was discharged in more than a year of membership.

It had been the custom of the employer to give her employees two weeks' vacation with pay in the summer. Lack of money forced her to withdraw this concession this summer. She permitted vacations but was unable to give wages during the vacation period. As noted above, she was steadily going further in debt and losing circulation as a result of the increase in the price of the paper to ten cents. These payless vacations resulted in considerable grumbling and became the basis of agitation to require the publisher to sign employee contracts with the New York Guild. The publisher declined to negotiate contracts with the Guild. There were two reasons:

First, she felt that recognition of the Guild would give control of the personnel of her editorial office to the Guild, a primarily white organization. She had no prejudices against the white leaders as such, nor against whites. She had four white reporters on her pay roll. But she was fearful that whites would not be able to understand the special problems of a Negro business and would lack the sympathy and spirit of sacrifice necessary to maintain it.

Second, her income was constantly decreasing and she was aware that she could not sign any contracts covering pay which she was sure she would not be able to fulfill.

It should be recognized that the Guild issue was divided into two parts: Did the publisher of The Amsterdam News oppose the membership of her employees in the Guild and did she oppose signing labor contracts with the Guild? The answer to the first question is no and to the second, yes.

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The payless vacations had caused dissatisfaction. The discharge of three employees intensified this discontent.

These employees were given notices of dismissal Monday, October 7, effective October 12. They were members of the Guild. The six retained in the home office were also members of the Guild.

On the night of Tuesday, October 8, a meeting was held of all the Guild members of the staff, inside and outside the home office, except one. At that time, it is reliably reported to the publisher by one of her loyal employees who was there, that a proposal to strike in behalf of the three discharged employees was discussed by the other employees, Guild members, who had not been discharged.

Some were in favor of a strike and some were not. The editor of the paper expressed the hope that a settlement involving the three discharged employees might be effected with the publisher. Others suggested that an approach be made to the publisher on the matter of finances. These suggestions were coldly turned down by the unit leader. He advocated a walkout and insisted that there must be no recognition of the financial condition of the publisher. He suggested that the Guild be permitted to take the matter in hand and that a fight should be made on the grounds that the publisher had ignored the rights of labor.

It was not true that the publisher had been indifferent to the welfare of her employees. Her lowest-paid reporter received $30 a week. The editor was paid $45. The salary of the sports and theatrical editor, a veteran employee, was $50. The society editor was paid $35 a week. These were "depression" wages, much lower than those formerly paid, but still as good or better than those paid by any other Negro newspaper. The employees had the five-day week; in fact, they worked only four and one-half days. They had no fear of losing their jobs. Only one person had been discharged in the editorial department in 15 years.

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Nevertheless, it was decided at this meeting to make the "cause of labor" the strike issue. No unit vote was taken on the walkout. Instead, over the objections of some, a committee of three was appointed and invested with the power to command a walkout.

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The next day, Wednesday, October 9, the publisher was placed in a dilemma. The paper goes to press Thursday night. She learned that no copy had gone to the printer, nor any pictures to the engraver. No work had been done and material which had some into the office through the mail was missing. There was more than $2,000 worth of advertising scheduled for that week's issue which would have been lost or jeopardized if the paper had failed to come out.

She therefore approached her employees and asked them what they intended to do.. They refused to state, insisting instead that she see the white secretary of the Guild. This was their reply, with the exception of one, to her question as to whether or not they were going to put the paper out.

When they refused to give her an answer and referred her to the Guild, she asked them for their keys and paid them for the week.

That afternoon pickets appeared before the plant bearing placards reading: The Amsterdam is opposed to organized labor.

A vicious campaign has been waged against the paper. Aided and abetted by the Guild and other union organizations, eight members of the home office staff and all but two of the outside staff who were members of the Guild, took their case to the public and described the publisher as a malevolent persecutor of labor. The sympathy of many intelligent and influential citizens was won through this deceitful plea. These citizens never took the trouble to find out the publisher's side. A vigorous campaign was waged against circulation and advertising. The circulation was not injured, but valuable local advertising was forced out of the paper, not because the advertiser supported the strikers in principle, but because he did not want his establishment picketed.

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Some persons sought to effect a compromise which would involve recognition of the Guild and the re-employment of the publisher's old employees at reduced salaries. She was unable to entertain any so-called "compromise" because she knew that there was no compromise which would enable the paper to operate.

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The institution is more than $43,000 in debt and is completely without funds except those which come from circulation and some national accounts. The present editorial staff is only half as large as the former in the home office, and the number of outside workers has been reduced so that the total is now 18 instead of the former 51. Furthermore, the publisher is unable to pay her present employees. They are working without salaries for such sums as she can spare them when Saturday comes. This means that the paper can only survive by investment of new capital. Even the re-insertion of the local advertising would not enable her to operate at a profit. She had a weekly deficit of $800 when this advertising was in the paper.

This brings us to a consideration of the second paragraph of your letter. You ~~repeat~~ the charge that some Negro business men are making considerable profits, but are paying much lower wages to their workers than similar white businesses. We believe that some Negro business men do make profits and pay low wages. We do not know whether these Negro businesses pay lower wages than white businesses of similar standing. It has been our impression that a trained Negro young man or young woman expects more for similar service than the white person gets in so-called white-collar jobs. It has not been true that the publisher of The Amsterdam News has made profits at the expense of low wages. She is as insolvent as her business, except for a few minor and unconvertible properties.

Is a Negro weekly newspaper prosperous enough to pay current union wages to its employees. Most of them are not. We know of only one Negro publisher who has grown wealthy and has had part union help. That publisher was ~~Robert S. Abbott.~~ He was finally forced to rid himself of union help and although once wealthy, is reported to be in straightened circumstances today. The Amsterdam News has never been able to pay union wages. More than $30,000 of the $43,000 owed by The Amsterdam News today is for union printers and engravers. These bills have been allowed to accumulate while she was trying to pay her employees in the business and editorial departments. Her employees in these latter departments were colored; in the other, white. She paid fair wages to her colored employees and forced the whites to wait. Most Negro businesses, harassed by union prices, try to solve the problem by paying low wages to the colored employees.

EDITORIAL
DEPARTMENT

NEW YORK
Amsterdam News

2293 SEVENTH AVE., NEW YORK, N. Y.
TILLINGHAST 5-1760

MEMBER AUDIT
BUREAU CIRCULATIONS

Mr. W. E. Dubois--6--Nov. 26, 1935

14-31-29

The reason that Negro newspapers cannot pay union salaries throughout and exist is simple. Negro newspapers are shut off from the best local and national advertising accounts. We believe that most persons, considering this question, think of Negro newspapers in comparision with white dailies. The Negro newspaper should be compared to weekly rural white publications of the second grade.

B

Yours very truly,

Sadie W Davis

SADIE WARREN DAVIS
AMSTERDAM NEWS

Mrs. Sadie Warren Davis' boast that she would close The Amsterdam News rather than reinstate her locked-out editorial staff seemed near realization this week.

The desperate straits into which the stubborn management has plunged the weekly in its long fight with the Newspaper Guild were evidenced by the frantic measures now being used to continue publication.

First among these measures was the reduction of the size of The Amsterdam News from 20 to 16 pages. This represents a total loss of 12 pages since Mrs. Davis locked out the organized editorial staff on October 9.

The second measure went into effect this week when the staff of scabs, strikebreakers, business and clerical employees was forced to take a blanket 20 percent wage cut. The cut was instituted despite the fact that the employees had not been paid their full salaries for more than a month.

Next she dropped from the payroll Percival L. Prattis, the strikebreaking editor, in a frantic effort to reduce expenditures. This means that the remaining scabs will have to stretch out at reduced wages. Already working under a strain—glaringly evident in the type of paper they are turning out—the scabs are near the end of their endurance.

Then, in order to cut the printing costs, she ordered the paper set on a 10-point slug. This was a move to make the paper appear to be full of news whereas there was an actual reduction in the amount of copy set.

Despite these frantic efforts to forestall the inevitable, it now seems apparent that Mrs. Davis either has to negotiate with the Newspaper Guild or to close her doors in the very near future. Faced with these alternatives, Mrs. Davis has grown increasingly irritable as evidenced by the abusive language she has heaped upon pickets and her assault upon one of them. The sight of peaceful pickets, whom she formerly ignored, now makes her see "red."

Nevertheless the Guild continues its fight for the re-instatement of its fifteen discharged members with undiminished militancy. Neither her abuse nor attacks will save Mrs. Davis from either re-instating these workers or of closing up her doors.

Advertising Hits New Low in Paper

The defiant attitude of the publishers of The Amsterdam News brought new grief to the paper last week when display and classified advertisers combined in support of the Guild and reduced the advertising total of the November 30 issue 241 inches for a seven day period.

The paper's advertising total dropped from 915 inches in the November 23d issue to 674 inches for the November 30 edition. Since the management locked out its organized editorial staff on October 9 and refused to reinstate the workers, the weekly's advertising has dropped 576 inches. This drop does not include the natural advertising rise which would have resulted from seasonal business.

The majority of the large advertisers are withholding their accounts pending a settlement of the dispute.

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

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W E B DUBOIS, PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY ATLA

14-9-7

PLEASE TELEGRAPH NIGHT PRESS RATE COLLECT TO ALLEN RAYMOND NEWYORK HERALD TRIBUNE 500 WORDS ON HOW NEGRO IS FARING UNDER NEW DEAL ON FARM IN LABOR COMMERCE AND OTHER PHASES OF AMERICAN LIFE STOP CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF BENEFITS POSSIBLE INJURIES AND WHAT MIGHT BE DONE BETTER FOR NEGROES INTERESTS WANTED

NEWYORK HERALD TRIBUNE.

200P

Mr Du Bois en route Atlanta from New York
Expected Monday

[NEW YORK (STATE) - (BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES)]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 22, 1935

Commissioner of Motor Vehicles
155 Worth Street
New York, New York

Sir:

Will you please send me an application for renewal of my operator's license for driving a motor vehicle. My present license is: No. 260779.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

[NEW YORK (STATE) — Vehicles
BUREAU OF MOTOR
VEHICLES]

December 19, 1935

New York Bureau of
Motor Vehicles
155 Worth Street
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Will you please send me an application blank for registering a passenger motor vehicle for 1936.

Please send this to my address: 210 West 150 Street, Apartment 3-A. I have recently changed my address from 226 West 150 Street to this address.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[NEW YORK - DEPT. OF ED.]

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

14-2-55

Dr. Frank P. Graves
Commissioner State Department of Education
Albany, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Graves:

I understand that the appeal of Mrs. W. J. Burroughs for re-instatement in the public schools will come before you soon or perhaps has already been argued. I hope I am not too late to express to you my great confidence in the ability and integrity of Mrs. Burroughs.

She is the wife of a former student of mine and I have known her personally and intimately for over thirty years. For several years our families lived in the same house.

I know that she is an efficient teacher and I do not believe that her beliefs for economical justice will in any way interfere with her duties as a teacher.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 12, 1935

The New York Telephone Company
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

I am moving my residence. Will you kindly transfer my telephone, Edgecombe 4-9123, now at 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, and reinstall it at 210 West 150 Street, Apartment 3A.

I should like this effective October 16.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 15, 1935

NEW YORK TIMES
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Will you please send me the Daily and Sunday TIMES for two months--from March 22 to May 22. At that time, please stop my subscription, as I shall be leaving town.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Enc 2.50 - check

[1935?]

New York Times

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

Publisher of the
New York Times
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Will you please send me copies of the daily and the Sunday New York Times beginning with the edition of September 23 and continuing for six months. Send me a bill for the cost. The address will be: W. E. B. Du Bois, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/JW

31-13-2

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

14-9

Editor of
NEWS WEEK
Rockefeller Center
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

I shall be glad to see a copy of the issue referred to on the enclosed card.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

32B-1-34

[1935?]

Atlanta University

Dear Dr. Du Bois,

We have read about you and our teacher has told us of your great work and we wanted to do some thing to show our love and appreciation toward you.

Very sincerely yours,

The Margaret A. Nichols Club

Ruth C. Thomas.
Ruby E. Meade.
Johnnie F. Davis
India D. Amos
Mildred E. Wimberly
Louise R. Winfrey
Meriwah C. Reeves.

MRS. JOHN C. NORMAN
1118 SECOND AVENUE
CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA

December 1, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia
Dear Sir:

For the Book Lovers Club of this city, I am to review novels by you, Fauset, White, Fisher, Hurston and others.

Of your books I have chosen Dark Princess. Could you send me duplicate copies of criticisms that you have on the book? Could you tell me where I could find criticisms on any of the above books?

Any information that you send me will be greatly appreciated. If there is an expense attached, I shall gladly defray it.

14-27-43

Yours truly,
(Ruth S. Norman
(Mrs. John C. Norman)

December 10, 1935

Mrs. John C. Norman
1118 Second Avenue
Charleston, West Virginia

14-27-44

My dear Madam:

I regret to say that I have no clippings on the "Dark Princess" available. A number of them have been stored, but it is impossible to get at them. Perhaps Harcourt, Brace and Company could furnish you with some.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

1118 Second Avenue
Charleston, W. Va.,
December 13, 1935

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

As I told you in a previous letter, I am reviewing for the Book Lovers Club of this city your novels.

Please tell me where I can find criticisms of your books.

I shall be happy to forward you money for the loan of any interesting material you might have.

Yours truly,

Ruth S. Norman
(Mrs. John C. Norman)

14-27-45

Program

OF THE

FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

North Carolina Negro Teachers Association

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA
THURSDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY
APRIL 18, 19, 20, 1935

CONVENTION THEME:
"Citizenship and the Child-Centered School"

NORTH CAROLINA
NEGRO TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

SESSION IN RALEIGH

1935

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Headquarters of the Association will be in a designated room in the Memorial Auditorium.

All general meetings, day and night, will be held in the Memorial Auditorium.

A complimentary luncheon will be served Friday evening immediately after the completion of the exercises in the Auditorium by the teachers of Raleigh and Wake County.

Admission to social features will be granted upon presentation of button and membership card, both of which may be obtained in the office of registration in the Memorial Auditorium.

Meals and Lodging

The committee has secured a uniform rate of $1.50 a day for lodging and two meals. Lodging only can be obtained for $1.00 a day.

The committee has spared no pains to see that their guests shall find their stay in the Capital City both pleasant and profitable.

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GENERAL SESSIONS

First General Session

Thursday Evening, April 18

8 o'clock

MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

Raleigh

Convention called to order.....PRESIDENT J. H. BIAS

Invocation

Music

Welcome Addresses:

On behalf of the citizens of Raleigh.....DR. CHARLES E. STEWART

On behalf of Raleigh Public Schools.....MR. P. S. DANIEL, Superintendent Raleigh Schools

On behalf of Wake County Schools.....MR. J. C. LOCKHART, Superintendent Wake County Schools

Response.....MR. J. B. MCRAE, Director of Teacher Training, State Normal School, Fayetteville

Music

Address.....MR. GUY B. PHILLIPS, Retiring President of North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, Greensboro

Music

Address.....DR. W. E. B. DUBOIS, Head of Department of Sociology, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia

Announcements

Adjournment

Second General Session

Friday Afternoon, April 19

3:30 o'clock

MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

Music

Address.....HIS EXCELLENCY, GOVERNOR J. C. B. EHRINGHAUS

Music

Report of Auditor

Election of Officers

Music

Announcements

Adjournment

Let the rabbit run
He don't know where
her gone - I've got her
address right here

Third General Session

Friday Evening, April 19

8 o'clock

MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

Introduction of Speakers.....PRESIDENT J. H. BIAS

Address.....DR. HARRY W. CRANE,
Director of Division of Mental Hygiene,
State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, Chapel Hill

Music

Address.....PROFESSOR A. ELDER,
Dean of College, North Carolina College for Negroes, Durham

Music

Address.....MR. CLYDE A. ERWIN,
State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Raleigh

Music

Announcements

Adjournment

Fourth General Session

Saturday, April 20

12:01 p.m.

MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

(Combined High School and Elementary Sections in Consultation With the Executive Committee on Art Appreciation)

Music

Reports of Committees

Financial Reports of Executive Secretary

Other Business

Adjournment

SECTION MEETINGS

College Section

DEAN T. E. MCKINNEY, *Chairman*
R. CLYDE MINOR, *Program Chairman*

Friday Morning, April 19

9:30 o'clock

GENERAL MEETING

Science Lecture Room, Science Building, Shaw University

9:30. Remarks by the Chairman.

9:40. "The Comprehensive Examination." MR. R. CLYDE MINOR, Professor of Sociology, Livingstone College.

10:10. Discussion.

11:00. "The Chicago Plan." DR. CLARENCE H. MILLS, Professor of Romance Languages, A. and T. College.

11:30. Discussion.

Friday Afternoon, April 19

1:30–3:30 o'clock

DIVISION MEETINGS

(The places for the College Section group meetings will be announced at the Saturday morning General Meeting.)

1:30–3:30. ENGLISH DIVISION:

Chairman, MR. BERTRAM L. WOODRUFF, Professor of English, Johnson C. Smith University.

Secretary, MISS HILDA A. DAVIS, Professor of English, Shaw University.

TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION:

1. "A Comparative Analysis of Freshman Placement Tests." MISS THELMA BUTLER, Professor of English, Palmer Memorial Institute.
   Discussion.
2. Round-Table Discussion, led by MR. JAMES BOYER, Professor of English, St. Augustine College, and MR. A. B. BROOKS, Professor, A. and T. College.
   a. Aims.
   b. Methods of Teaching.
   c. Content of Freshman English Course.
3. Business Meeting.

1:30–3:30. FOREIGN LANGUAGE DIVISION:

Chairman, Mr. J. J. Adam, Chairman of Modern Language Division, Johnson C. Smith University.

Secretary, Miss S. E. Martin, Professor of French, Shaw University.

Topics for Discussion:

1. "A Method of Articulating the Teaching of Modern Language in the High School and the Teaching of Modern Language in the College." Miss Margaret Walker, Professor of Romance Languages, Barber-Scotia Junior College; Miss Louise Taylor, Mebane High School.

   Discussion.

2. "Vitalizing the Modern Language Curriculum." Dr. Clarence H. Mills, Professor of Romance Languages, A. and T. College.

   Discussion.

3. Business Meeting.

1:30–3:30. SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION:

Chairman, Mr. R. Clyde Minor, Professor of Sociology, Livingstone College.

Secretary, Mr. Normal C. Crosby, Professor of History, Johnson C. Smith University.

Topic for Discussion:

1. "The Present Social Science Offerings in the Negro Colleges of North Carolina for the Purpose of Evolution and Curriculum Revision." Mr. Wendell G. Morgan, Assistant to the Dean, Johnson C. Smith University.

   Discussion.

2. Business Meeting.

1:30–3:30. SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS DIVISION:

1. Round-Table Discussion:
   a. A Means to Better the Preparation of Students Entering College.
   b. Research Program of Professors.
   c. A Science Orientation Course.
2. Business Meeting.

Saturday Morning, April 20

GENERAL MEETING

Science Lecture Room, Science Building, Shaw University

9:30. Recommendations from the Various Groups or Divisions:

1. English
2. Foreign Language
3. Social Science
4. Science and Mathematics

10:30. Organization of the Negro College Teachers of North Carolina:

1. Report of the Constitution Committee
2. Election of Officers

High School Section

S. E. DUNCAN, JR., *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH AND HISTORY

HENRY T. JOHNSON, *Chairman*
MRS. AMAZA JOYNER REID, *Secretary*

Friday Morning, April 19

9:30 o'clock

THEME OF DEPARTMENT: *A New Philosophy in the Teaching of English and History*

The Library as a Laboratory in the Teaching of English and History. MRS. GERTRUDE HARRIS, English Department, Washington High School, Raleigh.

The Organization of the Unit Assignment Plan in English. MRS. E. W. DANCY, Instructor in English, Warren County Training School, Wise.

The Freshman in College. MR. F. P. PAYNE, Acting Dean and Professor of English, Shaw University.

The Organization of the Unit Assignment Plan in History. MRS. ETHEL G. COBB, Instructor in History, Wilson High School, Wilson.

The Correlation of Subject Matter in the Teaching of English and History. MR. HAROLD E. JONES, Instructor of History, Albion Academy, Franklinton.

Saturday Morning, April 20

9:30 o'clock

Shall We Organize the Material for Our Students in History Through the New Type Test, or Shall We Teach Them the Principles of Organization Through the Old Type? MR. BENJAMIN QUARLES, Acting Assistant Professor of History and Political Science, Shaw University.

The Advantages of the Unit Assignment Method Over the Daily Recitation Method. MRS. ETHEL WILSON, Instructor of English, William Penn High School, High Point.

Difficulties and Results of the Unit Assignment Plan in English. MR. W. C. PATTILLO, Instructor in English, Tarboro High School, Tarboro.

Difficulties and Results of the Unit Assignment Plan in History. MR. E. L. PETTERSON, Dunbar High School, Lexington.

DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

HENRY D. COOPER, *Chairman*

Friday Morning, April 19

9:30 o'clock

The Organization of the Unit Assignment Plan in Algebra. MISS ETHEL WYCHE, Instructor in Algebra, Rocky Mount Graded Schools, Rocky Mount.

The Organization of the Unit Assignment Plan in Chemistry. MR. J. T. WILSON, Instructor in Chemistry, Ridgeview High School, Hickory.

The Organization of the Unit Assignment Plan in Geometry. MISS E. B. RIGGS, Instructor in Geometry, Price High School, Salisbury.

The Advantages of Using the Unit Assignment Plan in Biology. MR. R. W. BOLEY, Waters Training School, Winton.

Saturday Morning, April 20

9:30 o'clock

The Organization of the Unit Assignment Plan in Biology. MRS. M. THEUS DAVIES, Instructor in Biology, Washington High School, Raleigh.

11:00. Joint meeting of Department of English and History and Department of Science and Mathematics.

MODERN LANGUAGE SECTION

D. L. BOGER, *Chairman*
MISS EFFIE YEARGIN, *Secretary*

Saturday Morning, April 20

9:30 o'clock

Realia in the French Classroom. DR. CLARENCE H. MILLS, A. and T. College, Greensboro.

Methods and Materials for the Teaching of French in Secondary Schools. MRS. B. R. RAIFORD, Bennett College, Greensboro.

Group Discussion: The Unit Method in the Teaching of French.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

M. W. AKINS, *Chairman*

Saturday Morning, April 20

9:30 o'clock

Some Problems in Orientation of New Teachers. MR. L. R. BEST, Principal, City High School, Beaufort.

Discussion led by MR. P. S. JONES, Principal, Washington High School, Washington.

The Dull Normal Child. Mr. S. E. Burford, Principal, William Penn High School, High Point.

Discussion led by Mr. E. G. Hayes, Principal, Williamston City Schools, Williamston.

Along the Firing Line (Some Undiscussed Problems). Mr. L. E. Boyd, Principal, Douglas High School, Leaksville.

Discussion.

Home Economics Section

Miss Glee J. Willoughby, *Chairman*

Friday Morning, April 19

9:30–12:00 o'clock

Theme: *A Forward Look in Home Economics*

Present-Day Needs in Home Economics Thinking. Miss Diana S. Dent, Teachers College, Winston-Salem.

A Principal's Interpretation of Home Economics. Mr. E. A. Johnson, Principal, Berry O'Kelly Training School, Method.

The Demonstration Method of Teaching. A Shaw University Senior.

Questions and Open Discussion (Ten Minutes).

Business.

Election of Officers.

Saturday Morning, April 20

10:00–12:00 o'clock

The Place of Home Economics in Rebuilding the Curriculum. Miss Margaret M. Edwards, Women's College of the University of North Carolina.

Training in Consumer Education. Miss Flemmie Kittrell, Bennett College, Greensboro.

The Problem of Insufficient Equipment. Miss Lillian Exum, Berry O'Kelly Training School, Method; Miss Onnie A. Smith, Edenton High School, Edenton.

Observation Trip.

Elementary Section

Miss Maud M. Mitchell, *Chairman*
Miss C. M. Cathey, *Secretary*

Friday Morning, April 19

10:00 o'clock

Theme: *"A Curriculum Revision to Meet Present-Day Needs"*

Meetings of Sections:

a. Primary Group
b. Grammar Grade Group
c. Principals and Supervisors.

9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Display of exhibits of literary and industrial work.

9:00–10:00. Silent Reading and Spelling Contests.

GENERAL SESSION ELEMENTARY DEPARTMENT

Saturday Morning, April 20

9:00–10:45 o'clock

Music.

A Group Activity. MRS. LUCY HERRING, Supervisor, Harnett County Schools.

Music.

Address: Fitting the Curriculum to the Needs of the Child. MRS. H. A. WHITING, Supervising Principal, Atlanta University, Laboratory Elementary School.

Discussion.

Music.

Address: Standardizing Elementary Schools. MRS. P. L. BYRD, State Supervisor of Schools, State Department of Education, Raleigh.

Reports of Sections.

Report of Judges of Contests.

Music.

Adjournment.

Primary Section

MRS. BEULAH M. BOYD, *Chairman*
MISS JULIA MCBETH, *Secretary*

Friday Morning, April 19

11:00 o'clock

Music. LUCILLE HUNTER SCHOOL, Raleigh.

Teaching Reading in the Primary Grades, with Demonstration. MISS MARTHA L. BATTLE, Rocky Mount.

The Adaptation of the Project Method to Handicapped Children. MISS MERCEDES C. ROBERSON, Leaksville.

Music. LUCILLE HUNTER SCHOOL, Raleigh.

Round-Table Discussion on Primary Methods. MISS ALICE G. TAYLOR, Bennett College, Greensboro.

Folk Dance. LUCILE HUNTER SCHOOL.

Business.

Grammar Grade Section

MRS. MARY REID BELDEN, *Chairman*

Friday Morning, April 19

11:00 o'clock

Some Practical Methods and Devices in the Teaching of Arithmetic. MISS IDA MCIVER, Williston Primary School, Wilmington.

Music in the Grammar Grade Curriculum. MISS RUBY MITCHELL, Williston Industrial School, Wilmington.

General Discussion: "Our Problems."

Election of Officers.

Department of Supervisors and Supervising Principals

MRS. MARY C. HOLLIDAY, *Chairman*
MISS ADA G. BATTLE, *Secretary*

Friday Morning, April 19

9:30 o'clock

Unit Teaching in Different Types of Schools:

a. The Large City School. MRS. HANNAH KELLY, Peabody Elementary School, Wilmington.

b. The Small Rural School. MRS. MARION MOORE, White Oak School, Sampson County.

Discussion led by MRS. NORMA SNIPES, Orange County.

Solo. MISS MARINDA DUNNIGAN, Hillsboro.

Address: Meeting the Health Problems. MRS. L. B. YANCEY, Jeanes Supervisor, Vance County, Henderson.

Music.

Address: The Scope and Purpose of Jeanes Supervisors. MRS. P. L. BYRD, State Supervisor of Negro Elementary Schools, State Department of Education, Raleigh.

Art Appreciation

BETTIE E. PARHAM, *Chairman*
MOCILE E. SPELLMAN, *Secretary*

Friday Morning, April 19

9:00–12:00 o'clock

THEME: *Art Appreciation in Elementary and Secondary Schools of North Carolina*

Introductory Remarks: MISS BETTIE E. PARHAM, Shaw University, Raleigh.

Remarks: DR. L. E. MCCAULEY, Raleigh
MR. H. L. TRIGG, High School Inspector, Raleigh
MISS JUANITA MACDOUGALD, Instruction Division of Department of Education.

DR. W. A. COOPER, Exhibit of Paintings.

Report of Findings of Executive Committee on the Construction of an Art Appreciation Course of Study for Elementary and Secondary Schools of North Carolina. MISS L. E. TERRY, Chairman, Winston-Salem Teachers' College, Winston-Salem.

Round-Table Discussion.

Music Appreciation

MR. L. T. CALDWELL, *Chairman*

MISS EVELYN A. JOHNSON, *Secretary*

General Discussion: "Plans for Music Appreciation Hand-Books." MR. L. T. CALDWELL, St. Augustine College, Raleigh.

North Carolina Society for Research, Inc.

J. W. SEABROOK, *Chairman*

Saturday Morning, April 20

9:30 o'clock

Encyclopaedia

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November 5, 1935

The Dean of the
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

4-28-61

My dear Sir:

Will you kindly send me a list of the members of your faculties in the Social Sciences, including history, sociology, economics and psychology.

I should be greatly obliged.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 17, 1935

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
THE OBERLANDER TRUST
225 South 15 Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Thomas:

I shall be in Philadelphia sometime during the week of January 20. I wonder if I could talk with you a little while, either the 21 or the 26? I will telephone you on the 21.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 7, 1935

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
THE OBERLAENDER TRUST
225 South 15 Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Thomas:

Enclosed you will find a statement and application to the Board of Directors of the Oberlaender Trust.

I enjoyed very much the interview which I had with you, and I want to assure you I know the difficulties which boards have in allotting limited funds, and I shall have no personal grievance if they do not see their way to take up this project. I do believe, however, that the project is a worthy one.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

B 1935 [enclosure] Oberlaender Trust

MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE OBERLAENDER TRUST

Forty years ago Booker T. Washington began his crusade for the industrial training of the Negro with the idea of incorporating the sons of the freedmen into American industry as skilled workers. His thought was that some of them would eventually become capitalists, and thus the race would be integrated into the industrial organization of the nation.

Today, we can see many results of Mr. Washington's policy, and yet its main purpose of lifting black labor by means of technical education has not been accomplished, and the great industrial schools, like Hampton and Tuskegee, are being transformed into colleges of the prevailing type and slowly subordinating or giving up their industrial work.

The reasons for this lie in the economic changes in American industry and world economics rather than in any failure of effort on the part of the schools. These schools have taught agriculture and certain trades, but the world plight of the farmer, the monopoly of land, the changing of technique because of machinery, and the concentration of industrial control in a few hands, have left little opportunity for the small capitalist, and has changed the fields of skilled labor. A large, new, inexperienced laboring class finds itself with rapidly narrowing opportunities which trade unions and machines tend to restrict to low-paid, common and even casual labor. The current depression has revealed and emphasized this situation to such an extent that the present economic crisis among American Negroes is severe and no plans for the permanent relief of this class are being laid.

It is manifest that the basic ideas of Mr. Washington, as well as the ideas of many of us who were opposed to certain limitations in his program, must today be realized if the American Negro is going to survive as a self-supporting worker. Mr. Washington emphasized industrial training while we stressed highly trained leadership, both for industry and the broader aspects of life. The growing

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number of educated Negroes makes it imperative today that they assume the responsibility of the American Negro's economic future and by securing all available information, be able so to guide the mass of workers that they can support themselves with such standards of living as will make them a valuable part of a civilized nation.

The school in this process must play its part, but just what is this part? What was wrong in the older type of Negro industrial and agricultural school, and how far did it fail to take into account revolutionary industrial change; and how can a new type of industrial training, both in school, adult life, and business enterprise, be inaugurated so as to give the American Negro not only technical training in industry, but such general knowledge as will guide him in his industrial future; and make his efforts and ideals conform to the newer ideals of social welfare which are slowly spreading over the world.

When I was a student in Germany, from 1892-1894, industrial training was a part of the school system, and a successful part, while state socialism in insurance, and regulation of industry was leading the world. Afterward, Germany went forward by leaps and bounds in industrial organization and economic efficiency. Even today, despite war and revolution, her industrial machine has shown marvelous adaptability and efficiency. A large part of this must be due to the educational system, and to certain other institutions like continuation schools, consumers' co-operatives, social insurance, and the like. From the experience of Germany in the last half century, the American Negro, as well as the rest of the American people, ought to be able to learn much.

I, therefore, propose to make a study covering perhaps six months, more or less, into the way in which popular education for youth and adults in Germany has been made to minister to industrial organization and advance; and how this German experience can be applied so as to help in the re-organization of the American Negro industrial school, and the establishment of other social institutions.

Such a study would come at a strategic time; Tuskegee is about to have a new principal and a new orientation of its general policy. Hampton is due a similar change; and some ten or twelve colored state colleges supported with Federal and state funds, especially for the development of industry and agriculture, are sadly in need of such a new program.

I am, therefore, asking for the opportunity to make this study.

February 7, 1935 W. E. B. Du Bois

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February 14, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-10-1

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am glad to acknowledge your note of February 7th, with its enclosed application. - I shall bring this to the attention of our Trustees.

Yours sincerely

Wilbur K. Thomas

WILBUR K. THOMAS

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Return to W.E.B.D

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April 17, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-10-2

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

At a meeting of the Oberlaender Trustees last week your application was given further consideration and I am glad to say that the Trustees were willing to give you a small grant for a trip to Germany and Austria, providing the expense was not too large and that we finally determine upon a field of investigation that would be in keeping with the work of the Foundation.

May I ask you, therefore, to give particular consideration to the problem or problems that you would like to study in Germany and write me at your early convenience. I shall be glad also if you will give me an estimate of the actual cost of such a trip. Living is a little cheaper in Germany than it is here, - probably about the same as it would be in the South. I shall be glad to have your suggestions as to the amount involved, when you would want to go, and how long you would stay.

Yours sincerely,

Wilbur K. Thomas

WILBUR K. THOMAS.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 23, 1935

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
THE [illegible] TRUST
225 South 15 Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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My dear Mr. Thomas:

I thank you very much for your letter of April 17 and its good news. I shall answer you next week.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 3, 1935

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
THE OBERLAENDER TRUST
225 South 15 Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Thomas:

Answering your letter of April 17, I beg to submit the following plan:

1. I should like to investigate in Germany and Austria the relation of education to industry; that is, the extent to which the schools, elementary and higher, are used to furnish workers and leaders for the carrying on and development of industry in these countries. I shall want to do this with a special reference to our problems in the United States and more particularly to the Negro problem. My object would be to find out if possible through German experience the real cause of the partial failure of the Negro industrial schools in the South so ardently championed by the late Booker T. Washington and to be able to suggest methods by which these industrial schools instead of developing into ordinary colleges might again apply themselves to the problem of inducting American Negroes in industry.

2. For this purpose, I should like to spend 6 months as follows: a month in the Hanse cities and the Rhineland, a month in Bavaria, a month or 6 weeks in Prussia and East Germany, a month in Austria and the rest of the time for consolidating this study.

3. In this study, I would like to examine the laws and ordinances on industrial, and educational customs, the actual courses of study, the results of this instruction, the educational efforts within the industries, including apprenticeship, and the social, class and race lines.

4. I hardly know how to estimate the cost of this from the data I have in hand. There would, of course, be,—

   A. Ocean passage to and from Germany and the travel in Germany.
   B. Board and lodging for six months.
   C. Some compensation for any salary which I would lose on account of my absence from my work at the University. This last matter I will take up with the President of Atlanta University as soon as possible.

5. My work for the next 5 or 6 months would have to be finished before I could go. It includes (a) a booklet on "The Negro and Social Reorganization"; (b) preliminary work on a proposed Encyclopedia of the Negro; (c) work on the history of the Negro in the World War which is partly finished. I propose, therefore, to get these matters in such shape that they could be either finished or left by, say, April 1, 1936, and then spend the time from April 1 to October 1 in the proposed work in Germany.

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Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas

I should be very glad to get your criticism on this plan.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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May 9, 1935

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

The plan outlined in your letter of May 3 seems to me to be feasible. I believe such a study would yield interesting results, of real value in this country.

Since you could not plan to go until next year, there will be plenty of time in which to complete arrangements as to the amount of money you will need, etc., and to have these confirmed by our Board. I hope we shall have an opportunity to meet and discuss these questions. Will you let me know when you may be planning a trip north?

Sincerely yours,

Wilbur K. Thomas

WILBUR K. THOMAS

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Oberlaender Trust

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 23, 1935

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
THE OBERLAENDER TRUST
225 South 15 Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

14-10-4

My dear Mr. Thomas:

I thank you very much for your letter. I am going to be North in June and July and I shall get in touch with you and make an appointment just as soon as I know exactly the time of my coming.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[OBERLAENDER TRUST]

From: Wilbur K. Thomas, Executive Director
Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation, Inc.
225 South Fifteenth Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Released for publication
Friday, June 7, 1935

The Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation announces the following awards for the summer and fall of 1935:

A group of six educators will visit German and Austrian universities and normal schools to study methods of teaching foreign languages. During the latter part of June the group will visit various institutions in and around Berlin. In July and August they will study teaching methods in institutions in Hannover, (Westphalia) and the Rhineland. The trip has been made possible by Mr. Henry Janssen of Reading, Pennsylvania.

The members of the group are:

Morgan L. Combs, President, State Teachers College, Fredericksburg, Virginia
Thomas H. Ford, Superintendent of Schools, Reading, Pa.
Henry T. Moore, President, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, New York
John Howard Payne, President, State Teachers College, Morehead, Kentucky
R. L. West, President, State Teachers College, Trenton, New Jersey
C. M. Yoder, President, State Teachers College, Whitewater, Wisconsin

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On account of awards from The Oberlaender Trust, an integral part of the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation, the following will study conditions in their respective fields in Germany and Austria:

Ralph C. Bryant, Professor of Forestry, Yale University - to study the marketing of forest products;

Walter Clarke, M. D., in charge of medical and public health activities of the American Social Hygiene Association, New York City - to study the prevention and control of communicable disease;

William P. Doerr, architect, Chicago, Illinois - to study modern developments in architecture;

J.A.C.Fagginger Auer, Parkman Professor of History and Theology, Harvard University - to study the historical background of religious conditions in Germany;

Clyde L. King, Professor of Political Science, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa. - to study international trade policies.

Marie E. Kopp, social worker, New York City, - to complete studies of the marriage consultation centers and other agencies aiming at the strengthening of family relations.

Paul Krummeich, Assistant Professor of Music, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa., - to lecture on music philosophy at the University of Berlin.

Thomas W. Lantz, Superintendent of Public Recreation, Reading, Pa., - to study recreational and cultural programs for young people.

Austin Prodoehl, Professor of German, Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama - to study adult education through the "Volkshochschule."

Grants have also been made to:

Harrison P. Eddy, Jr., President of the American Society of Municipal Engineers;

Alfred E. Roche, President of the International Association of Public Works Officials;

William J. Galligan, Chairman of the joint administrative board of these two societies,

to enable them to attend the Second International Congress on Public Cleansing in Frankfurt am Main, August 19-23, 1935.

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The Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation was established in 1930. The President of the Foundation is Mr. Ferdinand Thun of Reading, Pa. The Oberlaender Trust is a fund donated in 1931 by Mr. Gustav Oberlaender of Reading, Pa., to enable American citizens who are prominent in fields relating to the public welfare, to study the experience of German-speaking countries in such fields. Headquarters of the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation, Inc., and The Oberlaender Trust are in Philadelphia.

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June 12, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-30-71

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

The Trustees of The Oberlaender Trust considered your application at their meeting on June 6. I am happy to report that they voted to appropriate the sum of $1600.00 to you, provided it will enable you to carry out your plans in a satisfactory way. We realize of course that this is not as large an amount as you had in mind, but it represents the sum which we felt was available for your particular project.

I shall be glad to hear from you as to whether or not this amount is sufficient to enable you to spend a year in Germany. If it is I shall be glad to be of assistance to you in working out plans, etc.

Yours sincerely

Wilbur K. Thomas

WILBUR K. THOMAS

WKT:G

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 22nd, 1935

14-30-77

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
Oberlaender Trust Company
225 South 15th Street
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Mr. Thomas:

I have your letter of June 12th. Are you going to be in Philadelphia during the month of June? If so, I shall run down.

You say in your letter "a year in Germany" - you remember that we planned it for six months and I shall have to consult with you as to living costs, in order that I may see just what I could do in six months on the matter.

Kindly let me hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

webd/s

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

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June 25, 1935.

14-10-6

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
5J:226 West 150th Street
New York City

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am expecting to be in Philadelphia until Saturday morning of this week, and then shall be away until July 8. I rather think that I shall be in the office most of the time for the two weeks following the 8th.

Yours sincerely

Wilbur K. Thomas

WILBUR K. THOMAS

WKT:G

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

14-10-5

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
225 South 15th Street
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Mr. Thomas:

I shall call on you Friday, July 12th, at noon. If you are not going to be in at that time, will you kindly wire me at my expense?

I could also come Saturday morning.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. DuBois

Return to W.E.B DuBois

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July 24, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
5J: 226 West 150th Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I take pleasure in sending you the information about those of our fellows whom Mr. Thomas mentioned to you the other day.

The enclosed news release gives the names of some of those who received grants this year including Professor Auer and Professor Bryant and the six members of the educators' group Mr. Thomas spoke of. The other names Mr. Thomas gave were:

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Dr. Henry J. Arnold, Director of the Division of Special Schools, Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio. Dr. Arnold spent several months in Germany and Austria in 1932 studying adult education with special reference to the Volkshochschule.

Mr. Thomas S. Baker, President of Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa. Dr. Baker lectured during the winter of 1932/3 in various German universities on general aspects of American culture in relation to Europe.

Mr. Fritz-Konrad Kruger, Professor of Political Science, Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio. Professor Kruger lectured last winter at the Deutsche Hochschule für Politik in Berlin on American diplomacy.

Dr. Robert A. Millikan, Director of the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif. Dr. Millikan also lectured in a number of German universities, in the fall of 1931.

Mr. Carl F. Schreiber, Professor of German, Yale University, New Haven, Conn., to participate in the Goethe celebration in Frankfurt a/M. during the summer of 1935.

The above are Oberlaender Fellows. Mr. Thomas also spoke to you of

Dr. Carl Wittke, Professor of History, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. Dr. Wittke received a grant from the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation in 1932 in order to accept an invitation from the Deutsche Akademie in Munich to give a series of lectures in ten or twelve German universities in connection with the George Washington celebration.

We are sending you a copy of our last annual report which will give you a good deal of additional information you may find interesting. You will receive all such publications that we send out in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Roxane Eberlein

for WILBUR K. THOMAS

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CARL SCHURZ MEMORIAL FOUNDATION, INC.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.

MEMORANDUM

From: Wilbur K. Thomas News Letter No. 32

To: The Members of the
Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation

THE HENRY JANSSEN FOUNDATION.

Certain projects for which no funds were available in the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation have been sponsored by the Henry Janssen Foundation of Reading, Pa. We are happy to report on some of the activities which were presented to and approved by the committee:

Trip of American Educators to Germany: In order to encourage the teaching of German in American public high schools and private secondary schools, six American Educators, five of whom are Presidents of State Normal Training Schools, the sixth a Superintendent of City Schools, are now in Europe to study methods of teaching foreign languages in Germany and Austria. The members of the group are:

Morgan L. Combs, President, State Teachers College,
Fredericksburg, Virginia
Thomas H. Ford, Superintendent of Schools,
Reading, Pa.
Henry T. Moore, President, Skidmore College,
Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
John Howard Payne, President, State Teachers College,
Morehead, Kentucky
R. L. West, President, State Teachers College,
Trenton, New Jersey
C. M. Yoder, President, State Teachers College,
Whitewater, Wisconsin.

They left New York on the S.S.Europa, June 8th. During the latter part of June they were scheduled to visit institutions in and around Berlin. The plans for July and August provided opportunities to study teaching methods in institutions in Hannover, Westphalia, and the Rhineland. One of the educators says: "The trip so far has been far beyond expectations. We visited four secondary schools with two or three hours in each. We have had interviews with the federal commissioner of vocational guidance, visited one center for vocational guidance in the city organization, a continuation school and a commercial school, had a two-hour conference with Dr. Schmidt on the whole

German school system, and spent a day in the country where we had an opportunity to see village and rural schools." During their visit in Hannover the educators were quite impressed by the emphasis laid on singing and music in the district normal schools.

After a visit in a small country boarding school the group commented favorably on the efforts made to promote good fellowship and to develop a community spirit. They particularly spoke of the educational system which does not emphasize highest efficiency but endeavors to achieve a standard education.

German Books for American Libraries: In order to find out how the depression had affected the buying of German books and periodicals, correspondence was opened up with ten representative institutions. When investigation showed that a number of subscriptions for German magazines and scientific literature had to be dropped on account of the monetary situation purchases were made with funds of the Janssen Foundation for each of the following: Bryn Mawr College, Emory University, Iowa State College, Johns Hopkins University, Univers .y of Kansas, University of Michigan, The Pennsylvania State College, Princeton University, Swarthmore College, and Tulane University.

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Special Medal of Award: The amount of $500 was set aside from funds of the Janssen Foundation for the initial cost of preparing a medal for distinctive service in the field of American-German relations. It was proposed to bestow a Medal of Honor upon the man or woman who in the course of one year (or possibly two years) makes the greatest single contribution to American-German relations. Mr. John R. Sinnock of the Philadelphia Mint is working on this medal.

Deutschland und die Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika im Zeitalter Bismarcks: Funds were made available from the Henry Janssen Foundation to finance the translation into English of Count Stolberg-Wernigerode's book "Deutschland und die Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika im Zeitalter Bismarcks." Dr. Otto E. Lessing of Berlin, formerly of Williams College, who undertook the translation, reports that the manuscript is finished.

WILBUR K. THOMAS
Executive Director

August 12, 1935.

CARL SCHURZ MEMORIAL FOUNDATION, INC.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.

MEMORANDUM

From: Wilbur K. Thomas News Letter No. 33

To: The Members of the
Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation

Some of the activities of the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation were described in detail in our previous news letters. I want to share with you at this time certain phases which have become more or less regular parts of our program and which may be of special interest to people in the academic field.

Paul Dietz: As a successor to the late Max Montor, the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation has secured the services and the co-operation of a distinguished actor of the German and American stage, Mr. Paul Dietz of Weimar, Germany. After an extensive career as an actor in Germany, Mr. Dietz came to the United States before the war. For a number of years he was with the German Theater in St. Louis. After the war he identified himself with the German theater movement in Chicago and New York. Due to the fact that already during his years on the German and American stage Mr. Dietz was frequently called upon to give dramatic readings, he chose his present career. With his experience and large repertoire of German and English selections he is exceptionally well qualified for this work. Mr. Dietz is now giving all his time to recitals before college and university groups, literary societies, etc., under the auspices of the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation. During the month of October and part of November he will give programs in and around Philadelphia and in a few colleges in the State of Pennsylvania. After that he is going to be in New England until Christmas. From January until June he will probably be used in the area covering parts of Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota.

Dr. Erna von Abendroth of Dresden, Germany, is a trained nurse and her special field is social work and the training of nurses for public health activities. She is one of the ablest women in this field in Germany. Dr. von Abendroth has been invited to the United States for a period of five months, from January to May 1936. She is a Lutheran; speaks English fluently. Dr. Abendroth uses 16mm moving picture films with some of her lectures.

Miss Margarethe Bach of Vienna is a reader and interpreter of German literature. She is coming to the United States in January 1936, and is available for engagements in the central and eastern part of the United States.

In addition to the foreign visitors the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation is also prepared to recommend speakers and lecturers for various occasions, who are already in America. For special occasions the Foundation will consider sharing the expenses involved in arranging for speakers.

All speakers and lecturers recommended by the Foundation are people who will help further the main purpose of the Foundation - to enrich the life and thought of the American people. The work is strictly non-political and is directed toward the solution of American social and economic problems.

Exhibition of Modern German Graphic Arts: Mrs. Yvonne Johnsen, the director of the collection of Modern German Graphic Arts, spent the summer in Germany and Austria in the interest of the work. She visited a number of museums and art collections in Berlin, Dresden, Munich, Nuremberg, Frankfort, Rothenburg, Breslau, and Vienna; made the acquaintance of some of the artists themselves and studied new developments in the field of graphic art. Mrs. Johnsen also investigated the possibilities of completing and improving the collection of prints which the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation is circulating at present.

15-25

Mrs. Johnsen's itinerary from now until Christmas will cover universities and colleges in Southern Michigan. The first exhibit was shown at Adrian College from October 14-20; it will be displayed in: Albion College, October 21-27, Battle Creek College, October 28 to November 3, Hope College, November 4-9, Alma College, November 11-16, University of Michigan, November 18-23. There is a possibility that the collection will be displayed at Michigan State Normal College, Ypsilanti, Mich., from November 25-30. From December 1st until Christmas Mrs. Johnsen will exhibit the collection in Detroit. Definite reservations so far have been made by Wayne University, College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Detroit. After Christmas Mrs. Johnsen will visit points in the eastern part of Nebraska, Iowa, Western Illinois, and the southern part of Minnesota.

The German Book Exhibit which the Foundation began to circulate in January 1934 is still on display in institutions of higher learning. For the time between now and June one set is scheduled for Maryland, West Virginia and Virginia; the other set for Western Pennsylvania and New York State.

WILBUR K. THOMAS
Executive Director

October 19, 1935.

Oberlaender Trust

November 21, 1935

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
The Oberlaender Trust
225 South 15 Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

14-10-7

My dear Mr. Thomas:

I have placed the matter of my German trip before the President of the University and have decided to go to Germany in May, 1936 and stay six months. I write to ask if this is agreeable to you and the trustees and if the appropriation of $1,600 will be forthcoming for that trip.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE GERMAN SPEAKING COUNTRIES

14-31-22

November 23, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

It is quite satisfactory to the Trustees of The Oberlaender Trust for you to go to Germany in May 1936, for a six months' stay. A maximum sum of $1600.00 is available for the trip. - We shall be glad to arrange to buy your steamship fare and then give you an order on our Mark account in Berlin for the remainder.

Will you kindly let me know at once what class you want to travel and on what ship. It is necessary for us to get reservations at once, as everything will be very crowded on account of the Olympic Games. - I shall be glad to hear from you on this at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely

Wilbur K. Thomas

WILBUR K. THOMAS

Thurs May 28

WKT:G

Oberlaender Trust

14-31-23

November 25, 1935

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
The Oberlaender Trust
225 South 15 Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Thomas:

Answering your letter of November 23, I beg to say that I would like to go to Berlin by way of London on any boat sailing after May 28. I should prefer to go on one of the slower, one-class boats, but if such a passage is not available, I would go second-class on one of the faster boats. I have no preference as to lines.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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December 10, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-10-8

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

On receipt of your letter of November 25, we asked the steamship company to submit reservations on the MS St. Louis, which is the first cabin boat sailing after May 28. It is scheduled to sail on June 6. We are offered room 14 and room 49 in cabin class; the former priced at the minimum rating which is $161.00 one way, and the latter is $169.00 one way. We shall, of course, purchase round-trip tickets with open return so that there will be some reduction on these rates. We have asked the steamship office to send you a deck-plan of the St. Louis so that you can decide which of these rooms you prefer. We shall appreciate having your decision as soon as possible as reservations must be made earlier than usual this year. We feel sure you will enjoy crossing on the St. Louis but hope you will let us know if you prefer a different boat.

The other possibilities on the German line are the New York, sailing May 28; the Bremen, sailing May 30; and the Hamburg, sailing June 4. The New York and Hamburg are eight day boats and the Bremen is a six day boat. The St. Louis takes ten days.

Sincerely yours,

Roxane Eberlein

ROXANE EBERLEIN,
Assistant

RE:GS

[OBERLAENDER TRUST]

Oberlaender Trust

December 19, 1935

Miss Roxane Eberlein
Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation, Inc.
225 South 15 Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

14-10-9

My dear Miss Eberlein:

I have been waiting to receive the deck-plan of the St. Louis but it has not come. Please choose for me either Room 14 or 49. I am sure it will not make much difference.

Please get me a one-way ticket to London. I do not want to be obligated to take any particular line home and I shall be returning in mid-winter and rates will be low and there will be plenty of space.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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December 23, 1935

41-01-14

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am sorry you did not receive the deck plan we asked the steamship company to send you. We are reserving room 49 for you but can always exchange it for another if you wish. The open return tickets that we purchase through the Hamburg-American Line and the North German Lloyd are good on all the other lines, and it is not necessary to decide on one's reservation until one is ready to return. Unless we hear from you to the contrary, therefore, we shall purchase a round trip ticket for you as Mr. Thomas feels that it will save you trouble over there. We note that you will leave the St. Louis at Southampton.

Sincerely yours,

Roxane Eberlein

ROXANE EBERLEIN,
Assistant

RE:GS

[1935]

Oberlander Trust

(17.)

In 1918, just after the Armstice, I was asked by The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to go to France and investigate the condition of the Negro troops. I landed in France in December and stayed about 4 months; visited various units, collecting information and holding a Pan-African Congress in Paris with the permission of the French government.

37-8-28

Returning to the United States, I immediately began to collect material for a history of the Negro troops in the war. I was approached by Harper Brothers, who wished to issue such a volume and asked to co-operate with their editors, Stockbridge, and Emmett Scott. After careful investigation, I found that this was going to be a popular history and that the last word lay with Mr. Stockbridge. I, therefore, declined to co-operate, and later, Emmett Scott, who had been an assistant to the Secretary of War during the war, published a history of colored troops in the World War; but it was naturally hurried and incomplete.

I had on hand voluminous material, both printed and manuscript, including orders on the field of battle, statements by persons engaged, and various documents.

The N. A. A. C. P. concluded, however, that this matter of writing the history was outside of their scope and gave no financial aid outside the expenses of my travel. For several years, I kept on collecting and writing and re-writing my material. It now consists of some twenty large chapters with notes and appendices enough to make three to five sizeable volumes. It needs, however, especially re-writing in the light of post-war revelations, and such condensation as would make it possible for a commercial publisher to handle it; in one or two volumes.

For this, I need clerical help, money for buying books, and time for writing. Atlanta University will allow me about half or more of my available time for writing; and who will furnish a stenographer and typewriter for part of the time. I am asking no compensation further than my regular salary for my own work.

It is difficult under these circumstances to calculate exactly what the cost of the completed manuscript would be, outside of the cost of publication. Comparing it with my recent work on "Black Reconstruction" which Harcourt, Brace isbringing out this year, I calculate the cost will be about the same, that is,

about $5,000, and I am asking for a grant-in-aid of at least $1,000, and if possible, $2,000, to cover the expense of the work for 1935. Probably $2,000 or $3,000 more would be needed in 1936 to finish the work; then, I expect that I can get a publisher to take it. At any rate, I have made no calculation of what it would cost to get the work published otherwise.

37-8-29

I think I may say that there is nothing in print that covers the ground which I am endeavoring to cover in this project. I shall follow the whole history of the draft of the colored soldiers in camp in the United States, of their transportation as stevedores and soldiers to France, the experience of each of the colored units while in France, and their return to America.

I have also much material covering the use of Negro troops from the West Indies and Africa in the allied armies. That is not as full as the rest and for reasons of space and further travel, I may have to leave that part out.

For the grant this year, I should wish to expend the money as follows:

For stenographer and clerical assistance...	$300-$600
For books and pamphlets.....	$300-$700
For travel and research.....	$200-$400
Further collection of personal reminiscenses and manuscript material.....	$200-$300
	$1,000-$2,000

The expenditure for books is because of the necessity of having at command the large number of post-war revelations and reports in English, French, German and other languages. Some of these I could consult at libraries, but numbers of them are difficult to obtain and would have to be bought.

[1935?]

8-1-15

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

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[1935?]

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Der Trust soll dem besonderen Zwecke dienen, ein besseres Verständnis zwischen dem deutschen und dem amerikanischen Volke herbeizuführen. Dies soll dadurch ermöglicht werden, daß hervorragende amerikanische Bürger, die schon Anerkanntes im öffentlichen Leben geleistet haben, eine Zeitlang als Gast des Oberlaender Trusts ihren besonderen Studien in Deutschland obliegen.

Herr Oberlaender führte in seinem Stiftungsschreiben u. a. aus: „Da ich fest davon überzeugt bin, daß ein besseres Verständnis zwischen den beiden Völkern den Geist der Freundschaft stärken wird, begrenze ich die Ausgaben des Oberlaender Trusts auf die Unterstützung von amerikanischen Bürgern, die im öffentlichen Leben Bewährtes geleistet haben, wie z. B. Zeitungsredakteure, Schriftsteller, Professoren, Forscher, Musiker und andere.

„Besonders sollten diejenigen in Betracht gezogen werden, die sich für internationale Beziehungen interessieren und die in der Lage sind, ihre Ergebnisse dem amerikanischen Volke bekanntzugeben.

„In fünfundzwanzig Jahren sollen Kapital (1 Million Dollar) und Zinsen ausgegeben werden."

Der Oberlaender Trust wird unter den Auspizien der CARL SCHURZ MEMORIAL FOUNDATION verwaltet, die zum Zwecke der Förderung kultureller Beziehungen zwischen den Vereinigten Staaten und Deutschland 1930 gegründet wurde. Diese Stiftung, von der der Oberlaender Trust ein Teil ist, wurde von Ferdinand THUN, Henry JANSSEN und Gustav OBERLAENDER ins Leben gerufen. Zum Direktor der Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation wurde Dr. Wilbur K. THOMAS erwählt.

Der OBERLAENDER TRUST hat bis Ende 1935 gegen ~~60~~ 120 führende Amerikaner nach Deutschland entsandt, darunter bedeutende Wissenschaftler, wie den Nobelpreisträger MILLIKAN, den Präsidenten der Universität von Missouri, Prof. Walter WILLIAMS, den ausgezeichneten Musiker Prof. Howard HANSON, die Kunstkritikerin Mrs. Helen

Appleton READ vom "Brooklyn Daily Eagle" und einflußreiche Journalisten.

Im Sommer des Jahres 1933 wurde eine Gesellschaft von 17 hohen Gemeindebeamten aus allen Teilen Amerikas zu Studien nach Deutschland entsandt.

In den letzten ~~zwei~~ vier Jahren sind vom Oberlaender Trust ~~152,000~~ ca. 300.000 Dollar ausgegeben worden.

Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation

Die Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation trägt seit ihrer Gründung 10,000 Dollar jährlich für den Studentenaustausch zwischen Deutschland und den Vereinigten Staaten bei. Darüber hinaus hat sie noch in vielen Einzelfällen namhafte Beträge für deutsche Studenten bereitgestellt.

Für zwölf deutsche Universitäten wurden amerikanische Bücher geliefert.

Zur Verbreitung deutscher Graphik wurde eine Wanderausstellung veranstaltet, die an führenden Universitäten und an vielen Schulen gezeigt wurde.

Trotz der wirtschaftlichen Depression ist es den Gründern bisher gelungen, die Tätigkeit

nicht nur aufrechtzuerhalten, sondern sogar noch auszubauen. Sie haben verschiedentlich ihre Überzeugung zum Ausdruck gebracht, daß gerade jetzt von beiden Ländern besondere Anstrengungen gemacht werden müßten, um die zwischen Deutschland und den Vereinigten Staaten bestehende alte Freundschaft zu erhalten.

Die deutschen Reichsbehörden haben die Bestrebungen des Oberlaender Trusts in dankenswerter Weise gefördert. Herr Reichsminister Dr. Goebbels hat bei der Pastorius-Feier den Dank des deutschen Volkes neben anderen Organisationen auch dem Oberlaender Trust gegenüber in beredten Worten zum Ausdruck gebracht.

Der Herr Reichskanzler hat nicht nur den Stifter, Herrn Gustav Oberlaender, in längerer Audienz empfangen, sondern auch mehrere Gäste des Oberlaender Trusts durch persönlichen Empfang ausgezeichnet.

[1935?]

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Presented by W. E. B. DuBois

31-1-2

6429 St. Lawrence Avenue
Chicago, Illinois.
November 1, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta
Georgia.

Guggenheim

My dear Dr. Dubois:—

Can you remember as far back as December 1923 when the Crisis had a literary contest —— prize donated by Mrs. Amy Spingarn — and I won the first prize of two-hundred (200) dollars?

I was Marita Bonner in those days, taught school in Washington (D.C.) and came to N.Y. with Georgia Douglas Johnson to attend the affair which the Crisis gave at the Civic Club to award the prizes.

And Mrs. Johnson "lost us" both and we arrived aff beat, so to speak —— when everyone else was going home.

Now that I am married and no longer teach and have two notable sons — aged four and fifteen months — I want to write more than ever.

I have received books for the Associated Press for no pay and not even the gift of a book. I wrote for "Abbott's Magazine" and the "Bronzeman" under pen names until they folded their wings and departed this active life. I won the Opportunity Prize in 1934 and have been scribbling in between times.

It occurred to me to apply for one of the Guggenheim Fellowships in creative writing so that I would afford time to write.

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Occomy

Because I had won the first prize in your Civic Literary Contest of 1924, and because I had had several stories besides this and the Spingarn Prize stories published in the Civic during your days as active editor — I listed your name as a reference.

You will not mind, I hope?

I know that I used to write and write before I shall be a writer, but there is a lot I want to say right now.

All my early life (through high school days) was lived in the town of Brookline (Massachusetts). The first contact I ever had with Negro races was in Washington D.C. Chicago's Black Belt has stunned me. There are exactly fifty short stories floating in my mind born from the impact of these Negro masses on a Brookline background.

I remember that you continuely praised the group of work which I submitted for the Spingarn Prize — and I suppose you did not wish me to become inflated too soon.

I could never be. My faith was a hard, stern New Englander who taught us to treat everything connected with our lives — objectively and impersonally.

I tell you this because I do not wish you to feel that I "cheat" I am write etc. etc! It is only that I am actually hungry for the chance to sit down and write consistently, quietly and persistently, that I am agonizing for the fellowship.

I hope that you will remember me and have some faint recollection of the quality of my work for I need the weight which your recommendation will carry to aid me in this enterprise.

Yours very truly,

Marita O. Bonner

(Mrs. W. A. Occomy)

14-4-29

November 11, 1935

Mrs. W. A. Occomy
6429 St. Laurence Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mrs. Occomy:

Of course I remember you and have often wondered how far your decided literary gift was being submerged in marriage. I am glad that you have at last come up for air and if the Guggenheim people will dain to consult me, I shall certainly give you a good word.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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08-4-41

INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCE
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHAPEL HILL

December 4, 1935

W

Professor W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Professor Du Bois:

14-26-33

I am glad to reply to your letter of November 13 with reference to the Negro Encyclopaedia.

First, I am quite inclined to agree with you that "the time has come when some authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro race in the form of an Encyclopaedia is in demand." Second, it will give me pleasure to contribute any article which the editors may wish provided it comes within the scope of my own resources.

With the best of wishes and greetings,

Cordially yours,

HWO-m

HOWARD W. ODUM.
Director

[ENCLOSURE TO DuBois]

Copy

30 Edgehill Avenue,
Chatham, N.J.

27th April, 1935.

The Secretary,
Carnegie Corporation,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

South Africa, especially the Union of South Africa, is given to sudden swings of the pendulum in respect of economic & racial problems. To-day, a more friendly public opinion exists towards colored races.

The effect of the impact of the Phelps-Stokes and that of your organisation upon Southern African opinion is being felt and for the moment a more reasonable attitude is being developed towards the colored races among the coming governing classes, spite of repressive legislation during the past few years, and the intense inferiority complex displayed in other directions.

14-2-22

The Union is anxious to justify transfer of B.Bechuanaland, Basutoland & Swaziland from direct control of the British authorities to form an integral part of their nation: "marking time" is to-day's policy.

The moment would appear ripe to review by colored leaders the status & future of the colored races living amid the only part of the African Continent where, what is understood as "Western European civilization" is vigorously carried on.

Apart from Dr Aggery's visit no leading colored economist or educationalist, recognised as such, has made a visit to Southern Africa - what has been done has been achieved by oversea white leaders imbued with desire to help the 'underdog', and their reports & views have been partially responsible for the present enlightened attitude in certain circles in that country.

Might I suggest that the time be ripe for a presentation of the Colored man's problem by trained colored men, quite apart from white influence - you are aware of the generally accepted opinion that the colored races will only progress so long as the stimulus of the presence of the whites obtain, Hayti & Liberia seeming to lend confirmation.

To achieve such a review of the colored problem in Southern Africa, I write to suggest that DRS Moton & Du Bois be invited to undertake such a visit, freed entirely from 'white' influence in their enquiries. Their background, apart from incidents that always crop up where clashes of honest opinions occur, would justify confidence in their selection.

These men represent two types of colored outlook, and to throw responsibility upon these two men, such an enquiry should add further valuable contribution to the colored problem of the S.African Continent: thus far it has been regarded through friendly or hostile white eyes. The day has arrived for the white peoples to view it through trained colored representatives of these races. The secretary to such an enquiry could be a man such as T. Jabavu of Fort Hare.

To-day would appear ripe for such a visit: next year may prove too late, the pendulum going in the opposite direction. Commending the foregoing for the consideration of your executive,

Sincerely,

For information
Yours &c. Du Bois
In case you have
not done anything
definite? I have set
the ball rolling
W.E.B. Du B.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 3, 1935

Mr. George S. Oettlé
30 Edgehill Avenue
Chatham, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Oettlé:

I have written the Carnegie Foundation and Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes concerning your suggestion as to colored visitors to South Africa. I am glad to have a copy of your recent letter.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[ENC. TO DUBOIS]

30 Edgehill Avenue,
Chatham, N.J.

6th May, 1935.

J. J. Lester, Esq.,
Secretary,
Carnegie Corporation,
New York. N.Y.

Dear Mr Lester,

14-2-24

It was exceedingly good of you to reply so promptly to mine of the 27th Ult. It is somewhat of a tragedy that Board meetings have ceased until the Fall.

However, in the event of an extra-ordinary meeting taking place - and such things do happen, even with such societies as are modelled along Medo-Persian lines - I would point out that two exceptional reasons exist for haste:-

1. A special committee has been appointed by the Government of the Union of South Africa to enquire into the whole system of the administration and financing of Native education in the Union. Committee: Dr J. D. Clish, K.B.E., C.M.G., (also chairman of the recently appointed Committee on Native Labour) Dr E.G. Malherbe, the four chief Inspectors of Native education in the Provinces.

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Bearing in mind the great help that the Carnegie Corporation has been to the white races in South Africa in its report on "Poor Whites" - rescuing it from the fate of most South African Government Commission reports, alas too often pigeon-holed - it would be an equal tribute to their care of the Colored peoples of that area, were Dr W. E. B. Du Bois in South Africa at the earliest possible moment, so that they may be afforded opportunities of giving members of the above-mentioned Commissions the benefit of their ripe experience.

As your Corporation doubtless has ways & means of dealing with emergency issues, this further request is submitted.

As it takes from 23 to 34 days to reach South Africa, the ocean voyage will act as a recuperating tonic to Dr Moton, whose health has been made the excuse for delaying his visit to that country.

Thanking you for your courteous consideration of the foregoing,

Sincerely,

George S. Oettlé.

For W. Du Bois,

Thanks for yours of 3rd inst. Herewith copy of my further reply to the Carnegie Corp'.
Also extra copy for you & despatch of Comm. Rhodes Phelps Stokes at Washington D.C.
Sincerely G.S. Oettlé.

(Enc. to DuBois)

30 Edgehill Avenue,
Chatham, N.J.

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Secretary,
Carnegie Corporation,
New York. N.Y.

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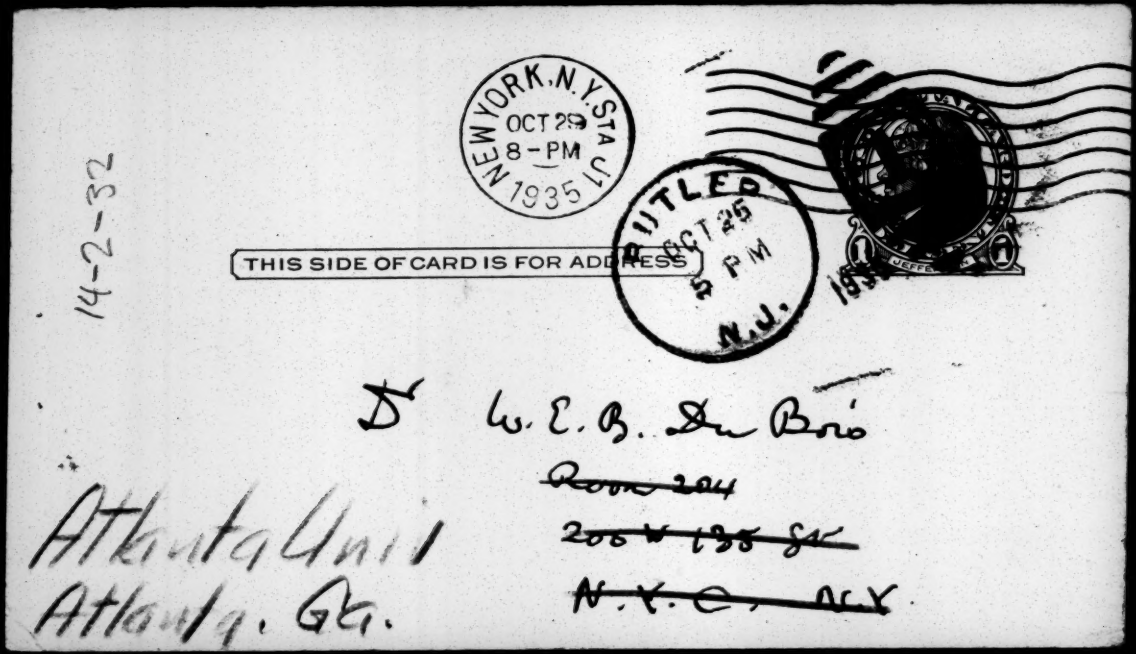
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Oct 25th '36.

Am sorry to find that you have abandoned all idea – i.e judging from your silence – of visiting South Africa.

Just a farewell note to express regret

Sincerely

G. S. Dettlé.

November 21, 1935

14-2-28

Mr. C. S. Cottle
30 Edgehill Avenue
Chatham, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Cottle:

I have by no means abandoned the idea of visiting South Africa. I brought the matter to the attention of the Carnegie Fund and Mr. Keppel wrote me that he agreed with me and had been in South Africa looking over the field. Evidently, however, he did not think the time yet right for sending a colored man.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

30 Edgehill Ave
Chatham N.J.

November 23rd 1935.

Carnegie Corporation

Dear Dr. DuBois,

Hope springs eternal in the human breast but, were I a betting man, I'd be willing to gamble against your ever reaching South Africa under the Carnegie Fund. Keeping in touch - as close touch as is possible for any one known to have expressed disapproval of certain policies - with both the Phelps-Stokes & Carnegie folk, I am pretty sure of the result, should I bet.

14-2-29 Frankly, I doubt whether a follow up of Dr. Aggrey i.e. a colored leader, will ever happen again: the so-called leaders of public opinion living in a region far above the real worker in South Africa will see to it that what progress falls to the lot of the colored worker is to be along the lines these leaders determine & I can hardly blame them if the editorial reference to Durnes in the issue in which I saw the 2nd news of your return to New York is any criterion, remarks such as these horrify the ordinary white leaders (& apart from Smuts & Hofmeyr all South African leaders are "very small beer" - judged by the standard of national progress: this is not written unkindly: it is just a recognition of what an inferiority complex will do to men whose claims to leadership are mainly because they come from ruling families!

But all this gets us no further: if you cannot go, perhaps you know of some one who is more of a persona grata to Dr. Stokes Dr. Jones & Dr. Keppel. Valuable time is being 14-2-30 lost, the native territories in the Eastern Cape are rapidly suffering untold losses through erosion & each year makes migration more impossible. Would it be possible for a professor imbued with the spirit of Tuskegee & Atlanta to exchange with a South African professor for a year & thus make a beginning to stir up the lethargy that seems to have fallen upon certain folk?

I met Dr. Keppel for a few seconds the other day & his flippant reference to Jeanes schools came as a shock. I am gradually coming to the conclusion that the dispensing of public benefits of Trust funds develops as great a lump of absurdity as is always tossed up against the Bureaucrat, in fact I question which really becomes the greater fool ultimately. Rockefeller evidently senses this, for his frequent changes in policy & personnel are all to the good.

As I know that it is most improbable for you to go, perhaps you will turn over the suggestion re "exchange" professors & let me know what you think of the idea.

14-2-31

Sincerely

George S. Dettle

I had hoped to have had the pleasure of a personal chat while you were in N.Y. - my p.c. was sent with the idea of stimulating such an opportunity

G.S.D.

Oklahoma Association of Negro Teachers

W. E. ANDERSON, PRESIDENT
DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL
Okmulgee, Oklahoma

November 13, 1935

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

The Oklahoma Association of Negro Teachers sponsors a Quarterly Journal. As editor of the publication, I inviting you to become a contibuter. You are to be the sole judge of the article as to length, content, and point of view. The next issue goes to press December 1, 1935.

Very truly yours,

W. E. Anderson

W. E. Anderson

November 21, 1935

Mr. W. E. Anderson
Oklahoma Association of
Negro Teachers
Dunbar High School
Okmulgee, Oklahoma

14-9-5

My dear Sir:

I regret to say that my commitments are such that I cannot promise an article for your journal. I am sorry.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Grandson of the famous liberator of Italy discusses: *"Italy's Case In Ethiopia."*

November 9. UPTON SINCLAIR.

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November 23. DR. ALAN VALENTINE.

President of the University of Rochester. Drawing upon his experiences and reflections at Yale and other American universities, and as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford, Dr. Valentine examines: *"Universities: American and English."*

November 30. DR. JUSTIN W. NIXON.

The minister of the Brick Presbyterian Church reports on his recent study-tour of the Soviet Union: *"Is Soviet Russia a Guide Post for America?"*

December 7. OPEN DATE.

December 14. DR. PARKER WILLIS.

Professor of Economics in Columbia University. Prolific writer on financial and currency problems. Counsellor and technical guide of statesmen. *"National and International Currency Isues."*

December 21. NO MEETING.

December 28. NO MEETING.

January 4. OPEN DATE.

January 11. HARPER SIBLEY.

President of the United States Chamber of Commerce. *"How Far Shall Washington Manage Our Private Businesses?"*

January 18. SUMNER WELLES.

Assistant Secretary of State. Formerly ambassador to Cuba. Special diplomatic agent to various Latin-American countries. Author: "Naboth's Vineyard." *"The United States and Our Latin Neighbors."*

January 25. GEORGE S. VAN SCHAICK.

A well-known City Clubber indulges in the autobiographical: *"The Operation of a State Department in a Crisis."*

February 1. PAUL BLANSHARD.

Commissioner of Accounts City of New York. This City Club favorite brings from the metropolis: *"Four Kinds of Graft."*

February 8. OPEN DATE.

February 15. LEWIS UNTERMEYER.

Poet, satirist, compiler. From his pen have come "The New Adam," "Roast Leviathan," "Poetry, Its Appreciation and Enjoyment," etc. *"A Critic's Half Holiday."*

February 22. EDWARD P. WARNER.

Engineer. Editor of "Aviation." Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Aeronautics in the Hoover administration. *"Aviation's Prospects."*

February 29. GEORGE SOULE.

On the "New Republic" for the last ten years. Author: "A Planned Society," "The Coming American Revolution," etc. Opens a three-Saturday symposium with: *"Do We Need A Change in Government?"*

March 7. SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED.

Subject: *"Does Roosevelt Deserve Reelection?"*

March 14. SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED.

Subject: *"Why We Ought to Have a Republican Administration."*

March 21. DR. DEXTER PERKINS.

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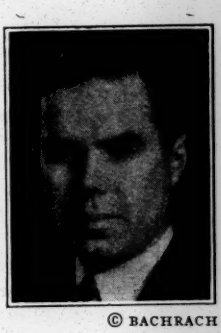

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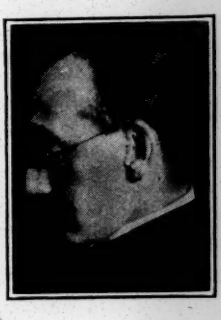

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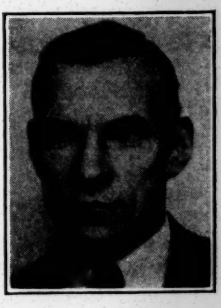
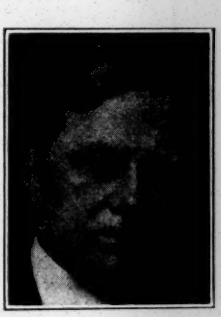
JEROME DAVIS returns in the fall of 1935 from a trip around the world. His trip was occasioned by a special invitation from the universities of Japan to deliver a series of lectures on *Culture and Social Change*. He also travelled in China and took the Siberian express through Russia. He comes back with an up-to-the-minute picture of conditions in the Far East and in Russia. Jerome Davis has just published a book on *Capitalism and its Culture* (Farrar & Rinehart) which has been widely commented on. Charles A. Beard for instance says, "The hard facts of this book presented in realistic terms are a challenge to all persons who are not merely drifting with the tide. Mr. Davis gets somewhere near the center of things and his findings compel attention."



Subjects: Dangerous Trends in the Orient; China's Struggle with Communism; Russia Faces the Third Five-year Plan; Around the World —As I Saw It; Will Capitalism Survive?; New Deal or Old Deal?

J. ANTON deHAAS holds degrees from Stanford and from Harvard University. He has taught International Relations in Stanford, University of Texas, Ohio State University, New York University, Columbia University, University of Rotterdam (Holland), and now holds the chair of International Relations in the Graduate School of Business Administration at Harvard University. Mr. deHaas' writings include *Foreign Trade and Shipping, Foreign Trade Organization,* and numerous articles in technical magazines here and abroad. He is editor of *The American Import Merchant,* and associate editor of several European magazines. His lectures, popularly presented, deal with the economic and financial aspects of world affairs.



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Subjects: The International Drama of Today; The Economic Conflict in World Affairs; Are We Progressing Toward Peace?; American Foreign Policy; The Far Eastern Problem; Our Latin-American Relations; Mexico, a Social Experiment.

H. C. ENGELBRECHT, editor, author, lecturer, investigator for the Nye Committee, is co-author of *Merchants of Death,* an exposé of the sinister influence of the munitions industry in world affairs—the May, 1934, selection of the Book of the Month Club. Formerly instructor in history at the University of Chicago, associate secretary of the Committee on Militarism in Education, associate editor of *The World Tomorrow,* and history editor of *Social Science Abstracts* —a journal published at Columbia University, which abstracted the important social materials of 5,000 journals in 35 languages—Dr. Engelbrecht is also contributor to *Pacifism in the Modern World* and author of *Concerning the Jews,* and a constant writer for our current magazines.

Subjects: The Munitions Industry and Peace; National and International Control of the Munitions Industry; Jewish Contributions to Civilization; Concerning the Jews; Modern War—Its Character, Causes, and Futility; War and Propaganda; Behind the News.

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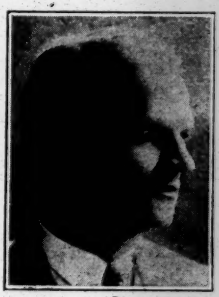

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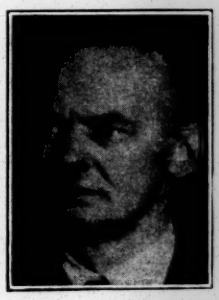

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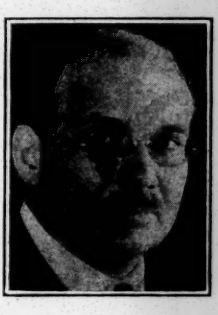

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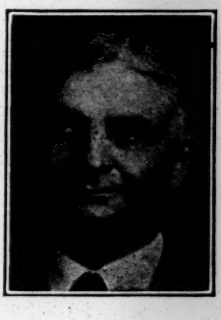

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KIRTLEY F. MATHER is widely known as a geologist, lecturer and author. As Professor of Geology in Harvard University, geologist in the United States Geological Survey and consultant for oil corporations, he has traveled widely and has added much to the store of geological knowledge concerning North and South America. He is eminently successful in the presentation of technical information in an interesting and comprehensible manner, and has given much thought to the impact of modern science upon religion and to the problems of the educational world. His publications include bulletins and technical articles, *Old Mother Earth, Science in Search of God,* and *Sons of the Earth.*

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TERENCE McCARTHY, young English economist, during 1933 and 1934 visited this country to study the NRA, its economic effects and its political and social significance, to enable British Labor correctly to evaluate the American experiment. He was a member of the Independent Labour Party until its disaffiliation, a committeeman of the Oxford University Labour Club, and a member of the University Labour Federation. Originally an engineer by profession, he became an officer of the Amalgamated Engineering Union. In 1932 he represented the Trades Union Congress at the International Trade Union Week held at Brussels. As a scholar of the Trade Union College, he studied at Ruskin College, Oxford, graduating with the Oxford Diploma in Economics and Political Science.

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is the Rector of Emmanuel Church, Boston, Chairman of the Episcopal Church Religious Drama Commission, and Dean of the Religious Drama School at the Wellesley Conference. He is probably as popular a preacher and lecturer as any Boston clergyman, but is not in the least one who talks only in his professional capacity. Both formerly in Minneapolis and now in Boston he is a most acceptable, humorous, human, helpful and moving speaker before clubs, forums and schools. His lectures at Emmanuel draw hundreds each week.

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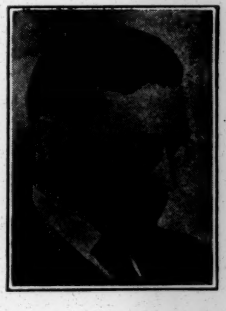
H. A. OVERSTREET

is head of the Department of Philosophy and Psychology of the College of the City of New York and lecturer in the New School for Social Research, author of *Influencing Human Behavior, About Ourselves, The Enduring Quest, We Move in New Directions, A Guide to Civilized Loafing,* and of many articles in technical and liberal journals. He has lectured widely throughout the country on psychological, philosophical, and social subjects. "He is a trained psychologist with a unique and and almost uncanny understanding of the human mind, especially as it operates in this tremendously interesting era in which we live. He never fails to reach his audiences and to hold them engrossed in what he has to say."



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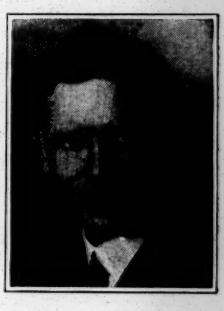

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ROBERT E. ROGERS has been since 1913 in the English Department of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, specializing in modern American, English, and European Literature and Drama. For the past twelve years he has given numerous lecture courses, one Boston course drawing 1,600 people, total registration for his courses in five years reaching 14,500. Professor Rogers first came before the public eye through a lively controversy resulting from his address on *The Snob in American Life.* For the past four years he has written a daily column of current comment on matters literary, political, and social for the *Boston Evening American.* His best-known books are *The Fine Art of Reading* and *How to be Interesting.*

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SUZANNE SILVERCRUYS of Belgium is not only a delightful lecturer, but is internationally known as a sculptor, actress, playwright and author. She was the first woman to speak in the House of Lords, she has received from Belgium the highest honors which can be conferred on a woman, including the Order of Leopold and the Order of Elizabeth. She has recently been made an Officer of the French Academy. Her writings include *Suzanne of Belgium,* an autobiography, and the play *There Is No Death,* in which Mme Silvercruys, herself, played the leading rôle. Her lecture on modern sculpture, during the course of which she makes a complete portrait bust or statuette from armature to finished production, has proven of tremendous interest to all types of organizations. She is the only artist in America who is doing this sort of demonstration.

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ANNA LOUISE STRONG has lived in Moscow for nearly fifteen years, as writer, journalist, and newspaper editor. She has traveled in the U. S. S. R. more extensively than any other American, from the "Roof of the World" on the Pamirs to the Arctic Ocean at Murmansk, spending much time in rural regions and among the various minority nationalities. She is personally acquainted with many of the Soviet leaders in Moscow, and knows Soviet life not only as onlooker but as participant through her organization of the John Reed Children's Colony and the *Moscow Daily News*—the largest English-language paper published outside an English-speaking country. Among her many books and magazine articles published in America, her recent books, *I Change Worlds,* describing the contrast of two world systems, both of which she has experienced, is an outstanding success of the present year.

Subjects: My Fifteen Years in the Soviet Union; Our Daily Life in the U. S. S. R.; Dictatorship and Democracy Under the Soviets.
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SMITH, FRED B.
Chairman, Executive Committee of the World Alliance for International Friendship through the Churches.
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The World Outlook, 1918-1935
The Church of Tomorrow

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Professor Philosophy, Princeton University.
Intelligence as Morality
Fate and Freedom: Are We Masters of Ourselves?
Fashions in Thinking

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Economist, assistant to U. S. Secretary of the Treasury in 1933.
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THOMAS, NORMAN
Head of the Socialist Party; Director, League for Industrial Democracy.
Why Capitalism cannot Bring Back Real Prosperity
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VARNEY, HAROLD LORD
Editor, The Awakener, foremost American authority on Fascism.
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Lawyer, commercial consultant, writer.
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Journalist, editor The Nation.
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The Menace of Nationalism
Will the Recovery Plan Succeed?
Hitler versus Humanity
Can the United States Live for Itself Alone?

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DAVID D. VAUGHAN is Professor of Social Ethics in Boston University. His early career as a social worker, "back of the Stock Yards" and on South Halsted Street in Chicago, brought him close to those vital problems of today that demand sympathetic and scholarly interpretation. Sixteen years with students in the classroom of a graduate school and twenty years on the lecture platform have combined to give to his message both the scientific viewpoint and the popular appeal. One bureau sent him half-way around the world to lecture in eighty towns in Australia and New Zealand. A recent trip to Russia and Central Europe, added to past visits and to years of specialization in the subjects treated, qualify him to speak with authority.

Subjects: **Communism and the Family; Problems of Family Life Today; Youth and the New Age; The Challenge of a New Day; The Right to be Lazy; Whither Democracy?; What is an American?**

MICHAEL WILLIAMS, editor of *The Commonweal,* a weekly review of literature, the arts and public affairs, published by *The Calvert Associates,* has had a long career as journalist and editor. Connected in his earlier days with the *Boston Post,* the *New York World, Telegram,* and *American,* he was city editor of the *San Francisco Examiner* during the big earthquake, and a special correspondent with Obregon in Mexico during the 1914 revolution. Active in welfare work, Mr. Williams represented the Catholic organizations as publicity director on the Pacific Coast in the United Drive; and he aided in the formation of the press and literature department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference at Washington. He is author of several books, including *The Catholic Church in Action,* and a constant contributor to American magazines.

Subjects: **Catholicism and the World Crisis; The Catholic Church and the Modern World; Adventures in Journalism; Modern Mysticism.**

WHITING WILLIAMS internationally known student of the worker and his problems, has, since 1919, led a double life. Here and abroad his suitcase is likely to carry both tuxedo and overalls. He has spent many months sleeping on flop-house floors, working in municipal woodyards, loafing outside factory gates—always studying the mind of the worker, employed and unemployed. He has worked in the mines and steel plants of America, France, Germany's Ruhr and Wales' Rhondda. In 1933 he visited the Polish Corridor, revisited Russia's industrial Ukraine, also the Saar Valley mines, and witnessed the Nazi celebration at Nurnberg. His reports by books, magazines, and speech have won the equal confidence of Capital, Labor, and Public.

Subjects: **Hitler, Stalin, Mussolini, Roosevelt—Which Has the Answer?; How Sick is Capitalism?; Give Us This Day Our Daily Job!; What My Double Life Has Taught Me; Russia's Hungry Workers; Mainsprings of Men; Recent Experiences with Strikes, Strikers and Struck.**

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Physician, sociologist, psychologist.

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National Director, League for Independent Political Action.

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Historian, traveler, lecturer.

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Rabbi, Free Synagogue, New York.

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Parent versus Child

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OPPORTUNITY

Journal of Negro Life

Published by the National Urban League

1133 BROADWAY, ROOM 826

NEW YORK CITY

Elmer Anderson Carter

Editor

February 15th, 1935

14-9

My dear Sir:

I wish to call to your personal attention the fact that OPPORTUNITY is conducting a special competition for young college students in order to awaken their interests in contemporary problems of Negro life. The contest is open to any student registered in any college in the United States, and the prize is $10.00 which will be awarded monthly for the best essay of 750 words or less on some subject treated in the current issue of OPPORTUNITY -- whether it be the subject matter of editorials, an article like Kelly Miller's "The Farm the Negro's Best Chance," or "The Negro in Pittsburgh's Industries," or any other article that appears in the magazine.

We have had up to this point no entries from your school and we would not wish to publish the list of schools which have sent in entries without the college over which you preside being represented. Therefore, will you please bring this to the attention of the heads of your departments of English, economics, history, etc., and ask them to enter students?

Very sincerely yours,

Elmer A. Carter

EAC/MLA EDITOR

October 2, 1935

Publisher of
Opportunity
1133 Broadway
New York, New York

14-9-6

Gentlemen:

Will you please send me the copy of Opportunity for August, 1935, and any copies of the magazine since June that have reference to the New Deal and the treatment of the Negro by the government during the depression.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/KW

12 East 97th Street
New York City

14-31-16

Nov. 7, 1935

My dea r Dr Du Bois,

I made a long summer in the Berkshires and the Green river was never more lovely or my friends kindlier, but the summer will always sta nd for me as the time I read "Black Reconstruction."

I knew it was going to be a fine piece of work, but I did not realise the immensity of the material and the very interesting way it would be presented. I've felt for many years that Reconstruction offered the country a great experiment in democracy and that ~~it~~ the country failed; but to have it all told so clearly and dramatically, to see race consciousness used to kill class consciousness (Hitler could read and get points) to have an American history at last told from the standpoint of the workers, that has been a unique experience.

It's great American history and one's next thought is that it will be in the libraries of the country and hereafter students will

have something to read besides sloppy sentimentalism and race prejudice.

I hope you are fiding something of satisfaction in being in the student world again, and that you may find some student to carry on the work if you dont want to do it yourself. The next story would be of p opulism, and its failure. - And I wonder, what after that?

Yours sincerely,

Clara W. Comington

November 11, 1935

14-3-62

Miss Mary White Ovington
12 East 97 Street
New York, New York

My dear Miss Ovington:

I appreciate your kind words of November 7 and am glad that the length and detail of my book did not deter you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY
Founded by Thomas M. Owen, LL.D., 1901
MONTGOMERY

IN REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

September 23, 1935.

Dr. W.E.B Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-25-80

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am in receipt this morning of an advertisement of your new book, "BLACK RE= CONSTRUCTION". I am ordering this for our historical library.

In the meantime, I wish to address you on a matter that I think will prove of our mutual interest. About twelve years ago I began writing a novel based on the teachings of Booker Washington. This book is now finished and I have prospects of getting it published.

I know, of course, that your ideas on the advancement of the Negroes and the Southern viewpoint have not always coincided. I have been thinking recently that it would be extremely interesting to have your opinion of my book. It is my intention, in case it is published, to use a part of the proceeds for the Agricultural Building which it is proposed the South will build at Tuskegee Institute. Dr. Patterson, the new President, has my manuscript in his hands with the request on my part of a full and free criticism.

I know what a busy man you are and what an impertinence it is to ask any author to read another's manuscript, but I am wondering if you would be good enough to do this for me.

Awaiting your reply, I am

Sincerely,

[Mrs.] Marie B. Owen
Director.

October 2, 1935

Mrs. Marie B. Owen
State of Alabama
Department of Archives and History
Montgomery, Alabama

My dear Madam:

Answering your letter of September 25, the first thing, it seems to me, is to get your manuscript published, and then afterward, to get opinions. The publisher's opinion is the safest but necessary opinion as to whether a large enough public would be interested in your book to make its publication pay. If he finds that true, then your thought has a chance for real criticism. Any criticism made before publication by a layman like myself would, as it seems to me, merely confuse the issue. You know what you think and what you want to say. My advice is to go ahead and say it, whether people agree with you or not. At least, that is the kind of thing which I have always done.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

W G D. B.

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 12, 1955

Owners and Tenants Electric Company
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

On October 16, I shall transfer my residence from 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay to 210 West 150 Street, Apartment 5A. Will you kindly make appropriate transfer of electric bill and connections.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-29

October 11, 1935

Mr. H. H. Pace
Supreme Liberty Life
Insurance Company
3511 South Parkway
Chicago, Illinois

14-27-31

My dear Mr. Pace:

What has been published concerning the history of the Standard Life and the career of Heman Perry? Could you furnish me any data with dates and figures? I especially would like to know something about Perry's life, the original movements for raising capital for the Standard Life, the history with figures of its development, the history of service corporations and the real estate development. I do not want this for an exact study, but as the basis for an economic history of Atlanta, both on the black and white side, in the form of a romance.

I should be very glad if you could help me or tell me where I can get information.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

SUPREME
LIBERTY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
HOME OFFICE: SUPREME LIBERTY LIFE BUILDING
3511 SOUTH PARKWAY
CHICAGO, ILL.

October 24, 1935.

14-3-6

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

Your letter of October 11th has been received. In reply to your question I beg to say that very little has ever been published concerning the history of Standard Life and the career of Heman Perry, except some of the things I wrote during the period I was associated with Standard Life. There was one article published in Forbes Magazine during the year 1924 by Eric Walrond which gave a rather bombastic study of his life and which immediately preceded the down fall of Standard Life.

There was one or two booklets which were issued by him on the sixteen corporations which he formed and which ought to be available somewhere in Atlanta. I have some of this material and I shall be glad to search it out and send it to you for your temporary use with the understanding that it will be returned to me when you have finished with it. I will do this just as speedily as possible and you may expect to receive a package of this material within the next few days. Meantime, I am sending you enclosed a copy of a pamphlet entitled, "The Contribution of Negro Insurance Companies Towards the Economic Status of the Race" being an address which I delivered before the National Negro Insurance Association. I have hastily sketched in this pamphlet considerable information as to the history of Negro Insurance Companies some of which might be interesting to you.

Sincerely yours,

Harry H. Pace

Harry H. Pace, President.

HHP:MKB
Encl.

TELEPHONE KENWOOD 9200-01-02

HARRY H. PACE
ATTORNEY AT LAW
3511 So. PARKWAY
CHICAGO, ILL.

14-23-52

November 14, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

I have your letter of November 6th, concerning the Encyclopaedia of the Negro, and in answer to same I beg to say that I will be willing to cooperate with you in this matter and would also be willing to contribute a short article or articles to be decided on later which could be published in the Encyclopaedia.

I think I could prepare a satisfactory article on the subject of Insurance Among Negroes or the Development of Banking Institutions, and I might be able to prepare such an article which you might want on the subject of popular music and the music publishing business as developed among Negroes. Please call on me in any way in which I can serve you.

Sincerely yours,

Harry H. Pace

HHP:MKB

NIGHT LETTER

Atlanta University,
May 23, 1935.

Dr. Robert E. Park,
Fisk University,
Nashville, Tennessee.

WILL MEET YOU IN ATLANTA TUESDAY AT ANY HOUR

LET ME KNOW WHERE TO FIND YOU

W E B Du BOIS

Charge to Atlanta University.

Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL SCIENCE

October 21, 1935

W

Mr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. DuBois:

14-26-56

Your letter of September 10, reached me here at Fisk University. I am very much interested in the Encyclopedia of the Negro, and shall be glad to make any contribution to that enterprise that I can. I don't, however, feel particularly competent to write upon any particular topic, for I know that there are other men who are fully as competent as I am to do so. However, any article that you think you would like for me to write, I shall be very glad to consider.

I suppose you will eventually work out a list of topics and as soon as that is done, I shall be very glad to see it. I can promise you my support in anything that I can do to carry this enterprise to completion.

Very truly yours,

Robert E Park

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Robert E. Park

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December
27
1935

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

I am heartily in accord with the proposed plans for the collection of a group of articles suitable for publication in an encyclopaedia relating to the Negro race. I also would be pleased to lend whatever assistance that it may be possible for me to give.

I am not in a position at this time to suggest any particular subjects, but your knowledge of our activities here may suggest some topic to you. In any event, I shall be only too glad to cooperate.

Very truly yours,

James A. Parsons Jr.

JAMES A. PARSONS Jr.

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Request for information

1933

1035 West 112th Street
Chicago, Illinois
March 16, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-27-59

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

On the evening of the 18th of Feburary at the Church of the Good Shepherd, I did not have the opportunity of shaking hand with you after that splendid lecture. You apparently won a decisive victory this time; my congratulations.

Dr. Du Bois, I noticed in The Voice Of The Negro, Jan. 1906, in your article,"The Growth of the Niagara Movement" you mentioned the fact that you had begun to edit The Moon, a weekly magazine of Tenn & Ga. Are there any available? If you have copies on hand, I would gladly return to you. I would like also to see a copy of your address as one of the commencement speakers at Harvard, 1890.

I shall appreciate this, and if any expense I shall defray.

Very sincerely yours,

A. G. Paschal.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 18, 1935

Mr. A. G. Paschal
1035 West 112th Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Sir:

Your letter of March 16 has been received. Dr. Du Bois is at present attending an Economic Conference of the Negro in Texas at Prairie View. Upon his return, your letter will be brought to his attention.

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 3, 1935

14-27-60

Mr. A. G. Paschal
1035 West 112 Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your letter of March 16. "The Moon" was the first paper which I edited. Harry Pace and a man named Simon were the Business Managers. I cannot, at pre ent, put my hand on a copy on account of the disarrangement of my papers due to moving, but if I find one, I shall remember you. Also, for the same reason, I do not know where to find a copy of my commencement speech, 1890.

I am sorry not to be able to help you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Encyclopaedia

14-31-03

October 4, 1935

Mr. George Foster Peabody
"Yaddo", Box 458
Saratoga Springs, New York

My dear Mr. Peabody:

I want to ask for your aid and co-operation.

Perhaps you know that in 1931 on the initiative of the Phelps-Stokes Fund, a plan for the Encyclopaedia of the Negro was drawn up. It was received with favor and as you will note by the references on this sheet, it has been endorsed by numbers of people of influence. The depression, however, has held up our effort to get funds, but we started again last year and I was selected as a Committee of One to correspond with various persons and have been doing so during the summer. My selection was made because the directors had nominated me as one of the editors-in-chief. This nomination, of course, must eventually be confirmed by the Advisory Board.

In the midst of my work, attention was called to the fact that the WPA of Washington might be induced to appropriate some money for a preliminary survey for gathering material for this project. Consultation with authorities at Washington seem to confirm this belief and we have made formal application to Mr. Alsberg, head of the Writers' Project.

However, in the glut of work in initiating new projects, I am afraid that despite its merit this matter may fall through, and I am asking if you will not be willing to say a word to President Roosevelt immediately so as to call attention to the merits of our plan and get the project approved.

I know this is asking a good deal, but will you not be willing to do it? I am enclosing a copy of the application which we made to Mr. Alsberg. The total cost of the Encyclopaedia has been estimated to be about $200,000 and we have fair prospects from the various funds and others of eventually raising this sum. In the meantime, if we could get something like $50,000 from the government for preliminary survey, it would decrease the total expense by that much, and give the enterprise such an impetus that the further raising of funds would be much easier.

I shall await your reply with great interest.

Very sincerely yours

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Enclosure 1.

W. E. B. Du Bois

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George Foster Peabody
Saratoga Springs
New York

October 10, 1935.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Your letter to Mr. Peabody of October 4th has been received. Mr. Peabody has been hoping to catch up a bit with accumulated correspondence but the Doctor has now ordered him to bed for a month for absolute rest as he has been overstraining his heart. Consequently he will not be able to give attention to your letter which he has not been able to read even so far.

I am
Very truly yours,
Jane Farrell

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Copy for WEBoards

Peabody

October 17, 1935.

14-31-11

Dear Mr. President:

I venture to enclose to you for your consideration in due course a letter to me, under date of October 4th, from Dr. DuBois of whom you know as one of the noted scholars of our country.

I call to your attention the names associated in the proposal to have an Encyclopedia of the Negro prepared by scholars fitted for such an important work. These names will certify to you the careful thought which has been given to the matter in advance and will be, I think, warrant for your including it, if possible, for an appropriation from Government funds.

I know, of course, of your full sympathy and am not less aware of the too many claims upon your sympathy. There are, however, some reasons why this special consideration of the ten percent of our population should be now pressed upon your mind. With reference to the important question of employment of leisure the varied art talents of the Negro will, in my judgment, make his contribution of greater relative importance than is realised.

I am, with high respect,

Faithfully yours,

Geo Foster Peabody

His Excellency,
Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt, President,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

(PEABODY)

THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY COUNCIL

WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
COMMERCIAL NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
14TH AND G STREETS NW.

November 4, 1935.

14-31-13

Mr. George Foster Peabody,
"Yaddo", Box 458,
Saratoga Springs, New York.

Dear Mr. Peabody:

The Honorable M. H. McIntyre, Assistant Secretary to the President, has referred to me the letters which you addressed to him and to the President in connection with the proposal submitted by Mr. W.E.B. Du Bois to the Works Progress Administration for an "Encyclopedia for the Negro".

We have checked this with the Works Progress Administration and understand that they are now reviewing this proposal in conjunction with others calling for assistance to racial groups, and are giving it very serious consideration. They stated that a final decision would be made within a short time. It was pointed out, that, in the meanwhile, wherever writers' projects were being carried out, strict instructions had been issued to assure that full consideration was given to negro applicants; in fact a number are already employed on such work.

I am confident that everything possible is being done.

Sincerely yours,

Frank C. Walker,
THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

Encyclopaedia

14-31-21

November 11, 1935

Mr. George Foster Peabody
Warm Springs, Georgia

My dear Mr. Peabody:

I appreciate very much your interesting yourself in the Encyclopaedia project. I have written to a large number of the leading white scholars of the United States and nearly all the Negro scholars. The response has been practically unanimous in saying that the Encyclopaedia is needed and that they would be glad to co-operate.

I shall be very glad to see you at Warm Springs at any time and trust that your health will continue to improve.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

~~WEBD/DW~~

[PEABODY]

Pine Glade Cottage

Georgia Warm Springs Foundation

Warm Springs, Ga.

November 19, 1935

Dr. W.E. Du Bois,
Dept of Sociology,
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia .

14-9-2

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

This will acknowledge your letter to Mr. Peabody of November 11. I am sorry to say he has had a set back since our arrival in Warm Springs and is confined to his bed and is under strict doctor's orders for a time which excludes visitors. As soon as he is able I will drop you a line and I shall hope to see you here.

With cordial greetings

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Marjorie Peabody Waite

THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF HYGIENE AND PUBLIC HEALTH

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY

1901 EAST MADISON STREET
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

viii October 1935

My dear Mr. Du Bois: I shall esteem it an honor and a privilege to contribute to the Encyclopaedia of the Negro.

14-26-68

Tentatively I might suggest as subjects that lie fairly within my competence the following list:

Population growth,

Fertility,

Brain weights,

Endoorine system,

Body build.

All of these are matters upon which I have been working recently relative to the negro.

Assuring you of my interest in the successful development of your project, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Raymond Pearl.

X Raymond Pearl

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta,
Georgia

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
PHILADELPHIA

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL OF
ARTS AND SCIENCES

H. Lamar Crosby, *Dean*
Bennett Hall

November 8, 1935

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

The most recent address which we have for Mr. W.W. Schieffelin Clayton who received his Ph.D. in 1933 is:

1710 P Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

I find that a Mr. Harry Spencer Blackiston received his Ph.D. from this University in 1920. He registered for further work in the summers of 1925 and 26. I imagine this is the same man about whom you wrote us. Our most recent address for him is:

3962 Coak Street
St. Louis, Missouri

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Hodgson

For the Dean.

14-23

DANNEEL PUBLIC SCHOOL
3411 BROADWAY STREET
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

A. E. PERKINS
PRINCIPAL

TELEPHONE
GALVEZ 0494

July 17, 1935

G.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Doctor Du Bois:

I shall be motoring through Atlanta around the first of August . If you are in Atlanta at the time I should like to talk with you for a few minutes about the publication of my proposed new book, FROM THE DEPTHS.

Mrs. Maude Cune-Hare told me that you were in Boston to attend the Alumni re-union at Harvard and that you mentioned, or she mentioned to you, I believe, my Who is Who in Colored Louisiana. That book, while containing some valuable historical facts , was very poorly published. My brother was supposed to attend to the business side of the matter, and he let a poor publisher get away with a poor mechanical job. However, some facts are worth while in it.

Your late book, The Propaganda of History, will doubtless be, or is, a crowing of your great literary career. We hope to have it in our school library as soon as our finances will stand it.

With hearty good wishes,

I am,

Very truly yours,

A E Perkins
Supervising Principal.

AEP/TER

Summer Address:
2911 Milan Street.

64-81-41

The University of Wisconsin

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
STERLING HALL

Madison

October 19, 1935

W

Professor W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Professor DuBois:

14-26-55

It seems to me that this is the proper time for mobilization on the scientific front on behalf of the Negro in America as well as on behalf of all minority groups, of whatever color. The chronic depression in the field of employment is inevitably placing the greatest burden upon the socially marginal groups such as Negroes, Jews, and others, and I am frankly pessimistic about the economic prospect of all of these groups.

Pardon the delay in answering your letter; it was due to an accumulation of work at the beginning of the academic year, and to other personal reasons.

Very sincerely yours,

S. Perlman

Professor of Economics

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PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE

PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

DIVISION OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

14-23-23

December 27, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Dubois:

To focus attention intelligently in the direction of certain noteworthy contributions of Negroes I think that the time has come when some authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro in the form of an Encyclopaedia is necessary. I am quite certain that all too often the racial identity of Negro authors reporting notable contributions made in their respective fields is lost in the daily press and the professional journals. An Encyclopaedia of the type which I think the Board contemplates should serve many purposes.

If invited to submit an article for publication in the Encyclopaedia I would contribute a survey of the achievements of Negroes in the pure sciences.

Assuring you of my interest and willingness to cooperate in this endeavor, I am

Very truly yours,

R. P. Perry

R. P. Perry, Head
Department of Natural Science

R.1. Box 68
Parkersburg N.C.
Geo. F. Peterson

Nov. 4th 1935.

Dr. W.E.B Dubois.
Atlanta Georgia.

My dear Mr. Dubois,

I have just been reading your book, "The Souls of Black Folk." To say that I am favorably impressed with your wonderful portrayal of Negro life in its various stages is putting it mildly. In fact it is the most complete diagnosis of the ills and yearnings of our down trodden race I have ever read.

After having read your book Dr. Dubois a latent power, which I've nursed for years but became of poverty have been unable to develop, was awakened within my soul. I have an inborn tendency to write, but in my financial situation have been and still am circumvented from attaining my goal.

If you can put me in touch with an institution or individual who extends aid to worthy struggling writers I shall appreciate very highly the favor.

I am very truly yours

Geo. F. Peterson.

14-22-69

November 8, 1935

Mr. George F. Peterson
Route 1, Box 68
Parkersburg, North Carolina

14-22-40

My dear Sir:

The only way to learn to write is to write and I regret to say that I know of no institution which will help a writer who has not written.

I am sorry not to be more encouraging.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[PHELPS STOKES FUND]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 2, 1935

14-24-41

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

I have had no word from you concerning the Negro Encyclopedia for nearly three years. I do not think that it would be fair to ourselves or to the public to allow this project to drop out of sight or to be forgotten. It is a great idea, and it ought to go through. If the Phelps Stokes Fund is unable to foster it further, then we ought to look about for other auspices.

I know the difficulties which you have encountered. I have heard of your application to the General Education Board and other funds, and something about your appeal to the Council of Learned Societies. I know, too, that within your own organization there has been considerable opposition, not to speak of outside opposition, like that of Dr. Woodson.

Notwithstanding all this, I think that we should have another meeting of the Editorial Board and advisers, and that we should listen to reports of results so far, and take thoughtful action concerning the future.

I have meant to talk this matter over with other persons but have not had the opportunity. I have talked with President Hope and had planned to talk with Dr. Moton, but have not seen him recently. I am writing this to you alone, but later, I want to write to others interested in the matter.

I should be very glad to have your opinion.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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[PHELPS-STOKES FUND] Encyclopedia

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

14-24-85

February 6, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have received this morning your important letter of February 2nd. You were quite right in writing to me, and I am glad to reply.

I feel just as strongly as you do about the significance of our "Encyclopedia of the Negro" project, and am most anxious to have it advanced. The delay has been due principally to two factors:

(1) My absence in Africa, followed by an excessively busy year here.

(2) The financial situation, which has not been encouraging in securing support for new projects of a research character.

The General Education Board turned down our appeal, but I am hoping to have the matter reopened. The Carnegie Board promised to consider the matter this past Fall, but I have not heard definitely as to their action. The Rosenwald people, as you know, have been hit so hard by the depression that they have had to cut down many of their old appropriations very severely, and are not taking up much that is new involving large expenditures.

We have our Incorporation and we have completed our various Boards, as you will see from the enclosed statement. I also secured from the Phelps-Stokes Fund at its meeting in November, an appropriation of $500 (five hundred dollars) to cover the cost of a meeting here this winter, as well as incidental expenses, and I have planned to call such a meeting. I would be very glad if you and Dr. Hope could give me a series of dates in March or April when you could conveniently be here, and I will call such a meeting at that time. I have of course had talks from time to time with Professor Brawley about the situation.

We are to have a rather interesting Interracial Conference here next Tuesday, of which I enclose a program herewith for your information.

I have been giving a very large amount of my time lately to a religious movement which will be announced in a few weeks, which has brought together for the first time, I think, in any American city, practically all of the Protestant, Roman Catholic, and Jewish religious forces, both white and colored. It is most heartening.

With kindest regards, and appreciation of your letter, and hoping to hear from you as soon as you have consulted Dr. Hope, I am

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

APS:m

14-24-86

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 15, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

I have your letter of February 6 and I am returning the copy of the letter to the General Education Board as you asked.

President Hope is out-of-town so that I haven't had a chance to consult him, but I will send him copies of our correspondence.

I beg to say that personally I could be in Washington for a meeting Saturday, March 9, or any Saturday in April.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 6, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

I could easily attend the conference on the Encyclopedia matter April 6 or April 20.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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Encyclopaedia

14-24-87

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 11, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

I am enclosing copies of correspondence which I am forwarding to Mr. Keppel of the Carnegie Foundation. I thought you might be interested in it.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures 3.

Negro Encyclopedia

14-24-58

March 11, 1935

Dr. John Hope
Office of the President
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Hope:

Dr. Stokes has received your letter of March 7th, also one from Dr. DuBois of the same date. As both of you find April 20th a convenient date for a meetirg of the Executive Committee on the Negro Encyclopedia project, he will call a meeting of the Committee at his home for that date.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to Dr. Stokes

Copy for Dr. DuBois

Negro Encyclopedia

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-24-89

March 13, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

I shall be in Washington for the meeting April 20. Will you kindly let me know at your leisure at what hour the meeting will convene?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-24-90

2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

March 16, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the proposed Negro Encyclopaedia will be held at my house, 2408 Massachusetts Avenue, on the Saturday before Easter, namely, April 20th, at 10 a.m.

Although funds are limited, necessary travelling expenses of members of the Committee will be met. It is hoped that there may be a full attendance to consider important matters.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Fisher Lothes

Encyclopaedia

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

14-24-41

March 16, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have your two communications of March 11th and March 13th. As you will see from the notice which is going out, the meeting at my house on April 20th is at 10 o'clock in the morning.

I am very much interested in the correspondence with your friend regarding the sending of some American Negro to South Africa. You may be interested to know that this is a project which I have long had in mind. You will notice that I recommend it specifically on pages 56 and 57 of my Carnegie Report. A copy of this was sent you at the time, but thinking that you may not have received it, I am forwarding you another copy which you can hand on to the Library, or someone else if you have no need for it.

Not only have I favored the sending of such a man as Carnegie Visitor, but I very strongly advocated that an American Negro should attend the great Progressive Educational gathering at Johannesburg last year. I took the matter up with the Committee on Arrangements and volunteered to meet the expenses from the Phelps-Stokes Fund of sending such a man from this country. I thought at one time that the matter could be arranged, but later opposition developed in Africa and it was suggested to me that the offer could not wisely be accepted.

As to General Smuts, he is, unfortunately, not a liberal on the race problem as he is on international and some other matters, but he is nothing like so reactionary as most of his Dutch political colleagues. Indeed, I believe that had his visit to this country and the Washington Conference taken place before his unfortunate lectures, they would have had a very different note. He has written me repeatedly and has spoken to me when I was in South Africa, regarding the profound impression which the potentiality of the Negro, as he saw him at the Howard University Conference, made upon him. I believe that with him and with Mr. Hofmyer in the Cabinet, the Dutch group is represented by two of their best men, and I have been very much encouraged by their attitude on the program for Native medical education at Lovedale and Durban. This is heartening amid many other disturbing factors in the South African situation.

Thank you very much for bringing this correspondence to my attention.

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

APS:m

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 18, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of March 16 has been received. Dr. Du Bois is at present attending an Economic Conference of the Negro in Texas at Prairie View. Upon his return, it will be brought to his attention.

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

14-24-92

2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

April 16, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I shall be delighted to have the members of the Executive Committee of the "Encyclopaedia of the Negro" remain for early lunch at my house this Saturday. As you will remember, the meeting is at ten o'clock. I am arranging for lunch at twelve in case any have to leave by early afternoon trains.

Very truly yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes
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14-24-93

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 22, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

Enclosed is a memorandum of my expenses. I shall within a few days send you an outline of what I propose to do in carrying out the wish of the committee concerning the Encyclopedia.

May I thank you very much for your hospitality.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

[ENCLOSURE]

Encyclopedia

EXPENSES OF W. E. B. DU BOIS

Atlanta and Washington and return:

Round-trip	$25.00
Pullman	10.00
Meals, (4)	5.00
Board and lodging in Washington (1) day	5.00
	$45.00

April 22, 1935

Copies sent to:
Mr. Dillard
President Hale
President Johnson
Mr. Brawley
(a 15th Copy)

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 24, 1935

14-24-94

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

In accordance with the vote of the Board of Directors of the Encyclopedia of the Negro at their meeting April 20,--

1. I am proposing to send out letters to persons who might furnish articles for the Encyclopedia, either because they are at present engaged upon suitable articles, or are familiar with the field.

2. I propose to write these letters on paper with a printed letter-head.

3. I am not just sure what should go on this letter-head. It should not be too elaborate and make too many assumptions, and at the same time it should give enough information so that the person receiving it would know just what the proposition is.

4. I suggest, therefore, the following matter for the letter-head:

A. The Encyclopedia of the Negro,
Incorporated in the District of Columbia,
May 10, 1932.

B. Names and occupations of the Board of Directors.

C. Names of the Board of Advisors and the organizations which they represent.

D. Names of the 2 proposed editors-in-chief, together with a statement that the assistant editors and editorial board are to be named as soon as funds for the proposed Encyclopedia are assured.

5. A typewritten letter thereupon would go out signed by me asking:

A. Advice as to the scope of the Encyclopedia in the fields in which the person addressed is chiefly interested.

B. Any work that the person is doing in the field mentioned which might be arranged for use in the Encyclopedia.

C. His willingness to write an article or articles for the Encyclopedia on the basis of the tentatively proposed compensation.

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes

D. Any general suggestion or advice that the person might have.

I am writing this to you and sending copies to President Hope, Mr. Brawley, President Johnson and Dr. Dillard. After I get your advice and reactions, I will have a proof of the letter-head set up and sent to all members of the Board of Directors for their individual approval, and will then proceed to send the letter out.

14-24-95

I should be glad to hear from you at your convenience.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Encyclopaedia

2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

April 25, 1935

14-24-96

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter of April 22nd with its bill enclosed for $43.00 for travelling expenses to attend the Negro Encyclopaedia conference here last week. I felt that we made definite progress and greatly appreciated your coming on. A check for your travelling expenses will be sent from the Phelps-Stokes Office, New York. I also enclose copy of a letter which I have sent to Dr. Jones, which is self-explanatory and will result in your getting $100.00 on account in the near future for making the preliminary survey of the contents of the proposed Encyclopaedia.

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Enc.

COPY

for Dr. DuBois

April 25, 1935

14-42-97

Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones, Educational Director
Phelps Stokes Fund
101 Park Avenue
New York City

Dear Dr. Jones:

Will you please arrange to have a check for one hundred dollars ($100.00) on account, sent to Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, whose address is Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, "for expenses in preparing a preliminary outline of the distribution of material, etc., in connection with the proposed Negro Encyclopaedia"?

The members of the Executive Committee of the Encyclopaedia met at my house last week from ten in the morning until three in the afternoon. Those present were Professor Brawley, Secretary, President Johnson, Dr. DuBois, Dr. Dillard, and myself. Also, as Major Moton and Dr. Loram were prevented from attending, President Hope. I will send in due time a copy of the Minutes for file in our records.

The meeting was an excellent one, the most constructive action taken being a decision to make it possible for Dr. DuBois to do important preliminary work in connection with outlining the contents of the Encyclopaedia. Such an analysis will be of the greatest value whenever it is possible to carry the project through, ~~which~~ this will include such matters as the distribution of material into major divisions, such as biography, history, education, civic rights, slavery, African background, rural problems, urban problems, etc.; the amount of space which should be assigned to each; the most important articles and groups of articles which should be provided; the most important authorities who might later be selected to write articles in each field, etc., all being tentative and preliminary and to be made after such consultation with people as he should think advisable, including Professor Robert Parks, whom the Committee hopes--unless his age proves too advanced--when it is possible to carry out the project, to have as the Assistant Editor. Dr. DuBois has also agreed in principle to the idea that some representative Southern white scholar should be identified with the project.

The proposal for going ahead in this preliminary way was made by President Hope, and it seemed to us that it would seem highly important to take advantage at this time of Dr. DuBois' broad knowledge of the field to analyze the material which should go to make up the Encyclopaedia in this preliminary way, quite irrespective of when the project can ultimately be carried out.

Sincerely yours,
Anson Phelps Stokes

P.S. It was thought that such analysis of the contents would not only be of great future help in preparing the Encyclopaedia, but that it might aid us in presenting the Encyclopaedia cause to Foundations. It is understood that the money will be used for clerical work, correspondence, postage and similar matters, and that a total of $250 of which this $100 is the first installment, will be available in the course of the year, all to be charged to our small Negro Encyclopaedia appropriation.

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ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

April 30, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-24-98

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Your important letter of April 24th probably passed in the mails my letter to you of April 25th.

I am very glad that you wrote me as you did. I am, I think, in substantial agreement with you as to the course to be followed. Two things create some difficulty:

First, that we have not our finances for the future provided for; and

Second, that according to our Constitution (see page 13) and the action at the first meeting of the Board of Directors on March 12, 1932 (see page 3 of the Minutes), nominations of Editors are "subject to the approval of the Advisory Board". This does not in any way interfere with our going forward, but it prevents our putting your name down as Editor. Furthermore, under the constitution, when you become an Editor you will drop out of the Board of Directors and someone will be chosen in your place. With this in mind and wishing to move forward, I have wondered whether it might not be possible to put you down as "In charge of Preliminary Correspondence". Perhaps you can think of some better designation. I have put on the enclosed sheet a tentative letterhead, using at the top an old Phelps-Stokes Fund sheet merely for the purpose of showing how a good many names can be put on a sheet if small type is employed. Of course the Phelps Stokes name should not appear in any way.

My idea would be something like this:

ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF THE NEGRO
Incorporated in the District of Columbia, May 10, 1932.

[at left, pretty high up]	[in middle]	[at right]
Board of Directors	W.E.B. DuBois,	Advisory Board
[give names, giving addresses of officers]	In Charge of Preliminary Correspondence	[give names of institutions represented]
	Atlanta University, Atlanta, Ga.	

Another thing is the possibility of printing on the back of your sheet or on a separate sheet, the two most important paragraphs from our Memorandum, namely, VI Scope of Proposed Encyclopaedia, and VII Character of Articles. I think

14-24-99

that all persons with whom you correspond should know of these.

It seems to me that the four questions that you propose asking are all most appropriate. It would seem to me important that correspondence should indicate that the work is still in its preliminary stages awaiting complete financing but that it seemed important to have the form of organization of material which should make up the Encyclopaedia advanced as far as possible at this time.

You will see that I have proposed nothing inconsistent with your own suggestions and what I have written is, of course, tentative. As you have sent copies of your letter to those who attended the Conference at my house a fortnight ago, I am also sending copies of this letter and of the enclosure so that you may get the reactions of the whole group.

While writing on this subject, I feel like bringing up again the question as to whether we probably might not get a younger men who would be more effective as Associate Editor than Dr. Park. According to "Who's Who", you are 67 years old and Dr. Park is 71. Other things being equal, it would be better, I think, especially as we are not likely to get our complete funds for a couple of years, to have a younger Associate Editor. Indeed, in general, the Associate should be younger than the Editor. Perhaps you and our other colleagues will give this matter consideration and write me your opinion on this point.

May I also say how pleased I was with the apparently unanimous feeling at our last meeting that some progressive Southern white scholar, perhaps someone at the University of North Carolina, should be identified in an important position with the Editorial Staff?

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

Enc.

APS:m

Copies to:
President Hope
Mr. Brawley
President Johnson
Dr. Dillard

14-24-102

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 3, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

Enclosed is my correspondence with Mr. Embree in which you, I am sure, will be interested.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures 2.

Encyclopaedia

14-24-100

2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

May 7, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

My sincere congratulations on the effectiveness of your presentation to Mr. Embree. It was an extremely important letter and the result is most heartening. I am delighted.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur Spingarn

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Negro Encyclopedia

14-24-101

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 29, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
~~2408 Massachusetts Avenue~~, N.W.
2408 Massachusetts N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

I am afraid the ears of Mr. Thomas Jesse Jones are deaf to the needs of a Negro encyclopedia. At any rate, I have had no answer from him to your letter and no remittance either for my expenses or for the proposed work on the encyclopedia. I am sorry for this as I want to get the matter going as soon as possible.

I have delayed the printing of the letterheads, but shall follow your suggestions as soon as I have them printed. I have also made tentative arrangements with a young colored librarian who is about to get her degree in Library Science this summer. I think she will be able to help with suggestions.

If the whole $250 can be available, I can have this work done by October 1. I shall be glad to hear from you at your convenience.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Encyclopaedia

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE. N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

June 3, 1935

14-24-11

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have received this morning your letter of May 29th telling me that you had not received the check which I promised you under date of April 25th, namely, $43 for your travel expenses, and $100 towards the honorarium for preliminary Negro Encyclopaedia expenses. I had thought it rather strange that I had not heard from you in reply to my long letter of April 30th, but now understand perfectly the reason --you were waiting from day to day for the arrival of the expected check.

On calling up the office this morning I found that Dr. Jones was not in and Mr. Roy, as you know, is in Liberia. But the Office Assistant looked up the records and found that a National City Bank check was duly sent you under date of April 26th. I thereupon sent you a Day Letter as follows:

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I can't tell you how sorry I am about the delay. We shall institute inquiries and try to see what has been the source of the delay in the check reaching you.

As I wrote you, I think the matter of the letterhead is one of some importance. I have no doubt you can suggest some improvements on what I outlined in my letter of April 30th.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

Copies to:
Dr. Jones
Dr. DuBois at Atlanta University

Encyclopaedia

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for Dr. DuBois
Atlanta Summer
A.P.

June 3, 1935

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I can't tell you how sorry I am about the delay. We shall institute inquiries and try to see what has been the source of the delay in the check reaching you.

As I wrote you, I think the matter of the letterhead is one of some importance. I have no doubt you can suggest some improvements on what I outlined in my letter of April 30th.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Anson Phelps Stokes

Copies to:
Dr. Jones
Dr. DuBois at Atlanta University

Encyclopaedia

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14-24-52

June 3, 1935

Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones
Cosmos Club
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Jones:

This morning Dr. Stokes called us on the telephone and explained that Dr. DuBois had never received our check for $143.00. This was sent to him on April 26th and was mailed to 69 Fifth Avenue. Dr. Stokes directed me to have payment stopped on check No. 5450 and issue a duplicate - this one for $293.00 being $43.00 for his expenses to the Negro Encyclopedia Conference and $250.00 as an honorarium. I have notified the bank and they are withholding payment. Enclosed herewith is the duplicate check, No. 5476, in the amount of $293.00. Please sign this and forward it to Mr. Du Bois in the enclosed, addressed envelope - the address of which Dr. Stokes gave me over the 'phone.

I also called 69 Fifth Avenue and was informed that Dr. DuBois is no longer there but at Atlanta University. I spoke to the person who is in charge of the mail and she informed me that all mail is forwarded to Dr. DuBois at Atlanta University. I cannot imagine how this was lost unless the letter is at the National Assoc. for the Advancement of the Colored People and they have neglected to forward it. I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr. Stokes so that he may know the above.

Very sincerely

Dorothy A. Sander

Dorothy A. Sander

Copy to Dr. Stokes: Re: Check for Dr. Du Bois

Dear Dr. Du Bois
This may explain the delay
A.P.J.

[PHELPS-STOKES]

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COSMOS CLUB
WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 4 - 1933.

14-24-51

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am forwarding herewith to Phelps-Stokes check for $293.00 in accordance with instructions received from Dr. Stokes. I regret exceedingly that one of our secretaries forwarded the earlier check for $143 to 69 Fifth Ave. Pl. Fit. That check has been cancelled and the amount included in the enclosed check.

Very sincerely
Thomas Jesse Jones.

Encyclopaedia

Telephone: Ashland 4-8578.
Cables: Stokesfund Newyork.

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IOI PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK

14-24-12

June 4, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
226 West 150th Street
Apartment 5J
New York City

Dear Dr. DuBois:

In accordance with instructions which we received from Dr. Stokes, we sent to you on April 26th, our check No. 5450 in the amount of $143.00. This check and an accompanying letter was sent to you at 69 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Yesterday Dr. Stokes called us on the telephone from Washington and informed us that this check was never received by you. We immediately stopped payment on check No. 5450 and issued another check, No. 5476 in the amount of $293.00, which was in accordance with Dr. Stokes' directions. This check had to be forwarded to Washington for a signature and will be mailed to you at the above address.

We made inquiry at the Nat'l Assoc. for the Advancement of the Colored People and they informed us that any mail which they receive addressed to you, is forwarded to Atlanta University. We are sorry for this delay but it was unavoidable.

Yours very truly

Dorothy A. Sander

Dorothy A. Sander, Secretary

14-24-53

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 22nd, 1935

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

I have received the check for Two Hundred and Ninety-three ($293.00) Dollars, and shall now go to work on the project, doing as much as possible this summer, but actually sending out the letters in the fall, as I am afraid they will not reach persons during the vacation. My plans are as follows:

(a) To have letter heads printed, which I will submit to you before final printing. Where may I reach you during July?

(b) I am going to engage the services of a young woman who is about to get her degree in Library Science. Together we are going through first, encyclopedias and secondly, collection of Negro literature in order to make a tentative list of subjects.

To the most important of these subjects, I shall append a tentative list of possible writers and then send a circular letter to these writers. I shall let you know of my progress from time to time.

Very sincerely yours,

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ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE. N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

June 26, 1935

14-24-54

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
5J: 226 West 150th Street,
New York City.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your note of June 22nd and note your program. I am delighted that you have secured the services of the competent young woman about to secure her degree in Library Science, and that you are going to make a survey of encyclopaedias and collections of Negro literature in order to make a tentative list of subjects. I think this all to the good and invaluable. I also think it would be important to prepare a tentative list of possible writers of articles both at home and abroad. I should think that this would represent the most important possible work you could do in the next few months. I would hesitate about going further and getting in touch with authors as to articles until we are somewhat further advanced in the matter of financing, for I do not wish to raise undue hopes and expectations and make commitments which we might not be able to follow out.

It seems to me that our preliminary task now, as I am sure that you have in mind, is to make a preliminary survey as to the organization of the material and the best authorities. In this connection I think that it might be invaluable to you to have a talk with Professor Seligman, who has just completed his work on the "Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences", or with his associate, Dr. Albert Johnson, or with one of their assistants. Having just gone through the work of selecting and organizing material for a great Encyclopaedia, their experience should prove invaluable. They have done a splendid job although a very extravagant one.

With kindest regards, I am

Always sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

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14-24-55

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 1st, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

I have your letter of June 26th. In the main I agree with it, but I think it has probably slipped your mind that the matter which you advised me to postpone, namely that of getting the interest of contributors, is the very matter which the Committee at its last meeting voted should be my main effort. The matter of subject and a general survey of the field was my own suggestion as a means toward that.

Of course, I see the danger of letting any persons whom I may approach get the idea that the encydopaedia was an assured enterprise and that I was trying to engage their services. On the other hand, it is necessary to see how far scholars of America, colored and white, would be interested in such an encyclopaedia if it could be started.

It seems to me therefore that my main object should be to approach these writers to see if they would be interested and to make it very clear that the encyclopaedia was as yet a project and not a featured matter.

I trust you will agree with this.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBDuBois/s

Encyclopaedia

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

14-24-56

July 6, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter of July first. I do not believe that there is any real difference of opinion between us. I see no objection to your corresponding with possible contributors of articles to the Negro Encyclopaedia provided the persons approached understand definitely that the Encyclopaedia has not yet been financed and that you can consequently make no definite commitment as to engaging their services. You have, I think, stated the correct position admirably in your closing paragraph, namely,

> "It seems to me therefore that my main object should be to approach these writers to see if they would be interested and to make it very clear that the encyclopaedia was as yet a project and not a settled matter."

Very truly yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
5J: 226 West 150th Street,
New York City.

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5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

May I trouble you to send me the exact wording of Section 6 "Scope of the proposed Encyclopaedia" and Section 7 "Character of the Articles" from the memorandum. I do not have the exact wording with me.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

July 17, 1935

11-24-58

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter of July 15th asking me to send you copies of the exact wording of Sections 6 and 7 of our Memorandum on the proposed Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I have thought that on the whole the best thing was to send you a copy of the Memorandum itself, which I am enclosing herewith. I presume that your original is probably at Atlanta.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
5J: 226 West 150th Street,
New York City

Encyclopaedia

2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

14-24-59

July 18, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
5J; 226 West 150th Street
New York City

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I have received this morning your note of July 17th with proposed stationery for the Encyclopaedia of the Negro. It seems to me that it is excellent with one exception, namely, the title "Encyclopaedia of the Negro" in script is not, I think, quite attractive. I wonder if you would not agree with me that it would be more dignified and impressive if in good type of an upright character.

I have only two other minor suggestions to make, namely, that "Dr." should be substituted for "Principal" in the case of Dr. Moton. I think it all right, however, to leave his address as Tuskegee Institute as he is still identified with it in the public mind.

If, as you suggest, and as seems to me a good idea, you are planning to quote on the back of the page certain passages from our Memorandum, it might be well to put an "over" at the foot of the page. You have carried out exactly the general idea which I had in mind in connection with this preliminary work for our proposed Encyclopaedia.

(over)

Sincerely yours,

Thomas Jesse Jones

Evidently, through an error of mine in the original copy, no "Dr." was put in front of your name. In the interest of uniformity I have of course added it.

A.B.

Encyclopaedia

Room 204
200 West 135 Street
New York, New York

August 29, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

I have an office at 200 West 135 Street, Room 204, for the month of September, and I am working on the preliminary plans for the Encyclopedia of the Negro. Assisting me is Miss Pauline Young, who has finished her work at Columbia for the degree of Bachelor of Library Administration and my own secretary, Miss Wilson. Miss Young is using the Schomburg Collection of the 135 Street Library and various other libraries. She is going carefully through articles on subjects which we will probably require and taking the names and addresses of the contributors. Within the next two weeks, we will get out personal letters to each one of these contributors on paper like this on which I am writing. I shall also, before I go South, make effort to consult personally with Dr. Seligman and other editors of the Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences. I hope this procedure has your approval.

Mr. Ira Reid, who is of the Department of Sociology at Atlanta University and who has been assisting in various FERA projects in Washington, has made a suggestion to me of which I think highly. He wrote asking why we could not arrange a specific project touching this Encyclopedia and ask the WPA to finance it as a professional project. He named a Mr. Goldschmidt as being an official who would be interested in it.

My thought would be that we might draft a plan for preliminary study looking toward an Encyclopedia of the Negro and put into this plan much of the work that would have to be done by the Board of Editors later. Such a work might occupy a dozen or more people for six months or a year.

Will you kindly let me know what you think about it and make any suggestions. I returned August 19 from a very profitable month at camping and rest in the Maine woods.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/DW

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ANSON PHELPS STOKES
LENOX, MASSACHUSETTS

September 7, 1935

14-24-41

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Room 204, 200 West 135th Street
New York City

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Your letter of August 29th fortunately reached me just as I was leaving Lenox last Monday for Washington. I went down to devote a few days entirely to plans for the mass meeting which we are to hold in Constitution Hall on October 2nd, in the interest of cooperation between Jews, Catholics and Protestants. Your letter, however, was so important that I wanted to advance the cause that you mentioned. Fortunately I met President Hope in the dining room at the Washington railroad station and he felt that for certain reasons the time was auspicious to secure the help which you suggested, and he felt that Mr. Clark Foreman would be our best contact. I therefore talked with Mr. Foreman and found him very much interested. In fact, he said that Mr. Ira Reid had already spoken to him about it in an informal way. I therefore sent him a copy of our Memorandum, together with your letter, and asked Professor Brawley to forward him a copy of the vote which we passed at our spring meeting, asking you to do the preliminary work of trying to organize material as well as finding out who the best contributors would be if and when we can finance the Encyclopaedia. Mr. Foreman promised to have a conference with Mr. Reid and Dr. Weaver in the immediate future and seemed quite hopeful that something could be done at least in the matter of providing some clerical assistance.

Now what I would suggest is this, that in the course of the next week you draft a brief memorandum not over a couple of pages long showing your plans for this preliminary organization of the Encyclopaedia material and how much it would cost in the way of assistance to do the work thoroughly over a period of six months or a year. I think it altogether probable that Mr. Foreman will wish such a statement, at least we can be ready with it.

I plan to be here for about two weeks, I hope until Friday, the 20th, when I have to go to New Haven for some meetings. Possibly I may have to go to Washington a couple of days earlier. At any rate, I shall be there regularly after the 23rd, and I hope that soon thereafter we can arrange, if Mr. Foreman is able to advance matters, to have a conference with him or the proper committee.

I did not have my secretary in Washington so have no copy of the letter that I wrote Mr. Foreman, nor was I able to keep a copy of your letter to me, but I have asked him to forward it on to me later. I remember that you asked about whether I approved of what you were doing. As I understood your statement, I approve thoroughly, it being, of course, understood that everything is of a preliminary character as we cannot commit ourselves to appointments or expenses at this time. I feel, however, that we are most fortunate in having you able to give some time to this work of organization of the material of the Encyclopaedia, which seems to me to be a matter of very great importance.

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

Encyclopaedia

14-24-62

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 12, 1935

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

Mr. Ira Reid and myself have been actively engaged in furthering the proposal to secure United States funds for preliminary work on the Encyclopaedia of the Negro. Mr. Reid consulted officials in New York, but they and he cam to the conclusion that the best authority under which this project would come would be the Federal Writers' Project. Mr. Reid, therefore, took a trip to Washington on Wednesday and has send me the enclosed memorandum.

I am following this up with a letter to Mr. Alsberg, a copy of which I enclose, and I have taken the liberty of sending him my copy of the preliminary memorandum on the Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I thought he ought to have this and there was not time to consult you. I trust I have not exceeded my authority.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

[Enclosure] Encyclopaedia

325 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 12, 1935

Mr. Henry G. Alsberg
Director, Federal Writers' Project
World Progress Administration Auditorium
Washington, D. C.

14-28-68

My dear Sir:

This letter is in further explanation and amplification of the project presented to you and your assistant, Mr. Reed Harris, by Mr. Ira Reid September 11.

November 7, 1931, there was a conference of white and Negro scholars and of educational leaders, especially interested in the advancement of the Negro, and held at the invitation of the Phelps Stokes Fund at Howard University. Later, January 9, 1932, the conference reconvened and adopted a memorandum on the project of an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. The conference made a statement concerning its general objects, part of which has been printed and is herewith enclosed. Later, contact was made with representatives of various institutions and learned societies and a Board of Directors elected with officers. The names of these persons are printed on the letterhead of this sheet.

The first problem before this board was the expense of such a project and the method of raising the money. It was estimated on the basis of conferences made with the Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences, the Catholic and Jewish Encyclopaedias, that an encyclopaedia of four volumes, containing about 500,000 words each, would take about four years for writing and publication if it would entail the total expense of $225,000 for four years.

It was proposed that the Board of Directors try to secure from foundations, groups and individuals interested, a fund of $200,000 with the assumption that all expenses of preparing and publishing the material in excess of this figure would be paid for by receipts from the sale of the Encyclopaedia.

The increased severity of the depression brought to a halt for three years all active effort to raise the money required, but last spring the directors held another meeting and determined to make active effort to raise the sums required. It was stated that there seemed to be a fair chance to raise this money in time. Meantime, however, it was regarded as essential that some preliminary work be started. I was, therefore, appointed as the Committee of One to take charge of preliminary correspondence.

I had letterheads printed, opened a small, temporary office at 200 West 135th Street in New York for the month of September and hired a stenographer and library assistant. We began a tentative list of experts who might aid in the preparation of such an encyclopaedia and whose interest we would like to have. A series of letters to such persons is being sent out.

Meantime, it was suggested to us by Mr. Ira Reid that possibly the Works Progress Administration might be interested in this project, at least to the extent of securing for us government aid for preliminary work. For such work, we could employ from 25-100 persons as research aides for a period of a year, grouping them in Washington, New York, Chicago, Atlanta and New Orleans, and in this way we could lay plans, prepare preliminary bibliographies, collect books and manuscripts, and begin the actual gathering and writing of special data.

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I am writing, therefore, to ask your opinion on the advisability of requesting Federal monies for this project and with the assistance of Mr. Ira Reid, we would be glad to work out a formal project application.

I am enclosing copies of some of the official data. I beg to refer, also, to Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes of Washington, the President of the Board of Directors, and Professor Benjamin Brawley of Howard University, the Secretary, for any additional information that you might wish.

I shall be glad to hear from you at your convenience.

Very respectfully yours

W.E.B.DU/DW
Enclosures

W. E. B. Du Bois

Encyclopaedia

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 16, 1935

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

I am enclosing a memorandum of the most interesting conversation which I had with Mr. Alvin Johnson concerning the Encyclopaedia.

I have heard nothing as yet from the P.W.A. project. I am leaving here Thursday, September 19 and after that please direct all mail to me at Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia. If, of course, there should arise any necessity of my postponing the trip South on account of developments in the P.W.A. project, kindly telegraph me and I will endeavor to secure permission to stay over from President Hope.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

MEMORANDUM OF A CONVERSATION WITH ALVIN JOHNSON
Friday, September 13, 1935

September 16, 1935

Mr. Johnson said, first, that above all things in an Encyclopaedia there:

1. Must be concentration of power in the hands of the Editors.

2. To give unity and efficiency to the work, the editors-in-chief must build up an office force and the permanent force would have to be built gradually. This existing force should be, if possible, persons in the early thirties who should serve under the two or three general editors.

3. He suggested beginning with five experts in the following subjects: (A) United States History, (B) The development of modern commerce and industry, (C) Art, (D) Ethnology and Anthropology, (E) Technical knowledge of preparation of manuscripts for the press.

4. The Editors would not do the writing, except in the case of biographies of persons concerning whom there is no particular controversy. All contributions should be signed contributions done by persons chosen for this work outside the editorial staff.

On the other hand, the editorial staff must carefully and minutely outline all the articles and thus gain a definite knowledge of the field which the writer is going to cover so as to check him and avoid duplication. They must especially be able to detect cribbing from other encyclopaedias and books which is apt to occur more often than one would think. Also, the editors in the office can do the non-controversial statistical articles.

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5. Even with men who have received their Doctor's degrees, an office training of at least six months would be necessary to make them efficient editors in a scheme of this sort. He suggested further that at least one-half the time laid out for the writing of publication of the Encyclopaedia be given to preparation and training; that is, in this case, two years of the time would be given for preparation and then two years for publication when the volumes might appear at the rate of two a year.

6. As to the subjects to be treated, he suggested that a tentative list be made of subjects that should be included in this Encyclopaedia. That this list should be sent out widely for criticism asking the persons approached what subjects they would omit, what subjects they would add, and what subjects they would combine or separate into minor subjects?

7. He pointed out that difficulties were going to arise in getting the writers who undertake the various articles to get in their work on time. If a man is given two years to prepare an article, the chances are he will do nothing until the last six months and possibly three months or less before the time is up, he will find out that he cannot do it. On the other hand, if the editors furnish him at first with a careful outline of what they wish him to write, he will probably begin by criticizing the outline, and when these criticisms are accepted, he will be so interested that he will probably begin the work at once.

MEMORANDUM OF A CONVERSATION WITH ALVIN JOHNSON
Friday, September 13, 1935

8. Mr. Johnson said that with his experience on the International Encyclopaedia and the Encyclopaedia of Social Sciences, that he was sure that when our plan would mature, he could estimate his cost within a very few dollars.

9. He emphasized the fact that there must be good and adequate treatment of Africa, its ethnology, its economic life and its connection with world movements like the slave trade.

10. He said, finally, that he was very much interested in this undertaking and believed that it was greatly needed; that he should be glad to help with advice and he pointed out that it was especially necessary that the work be done with great scientific accuracy and efficiency, that in some ways we were going to have the same kind of criticism as the Encyclopaedia of Social Sciences, where they were always between the fire of Radicals and Conservatives.

WEBD/D.

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Encyclopedia

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
LENOX, MASSACHUSETTS

September 19, 1935

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Your important letter of September 16th has been forwarded to me here. I hope you received my letter of September 7th.

I have not heard from Mr. Foreman since I was in Washington a fortnight ago, but shall see him early next week, and will report to you if there is any new development.

I have been very greatly interested in the memorandum of your conversation with Professor Alvin Johnson under date of Friday, September 13th. This seems to me highly important. I find myself in substantial unity with almost everything that he suggests. I would make the following comments:

(1) Under (3) I note no special authority in education, or sociology and government are mentioned. These are so important in connection with Negro development that they should, I think, be included in some way.

(2) I am particularly interested in Section (6). You will remember that it is the analysis of subjects to be treated in the proposed Encyclopaedia that has seemed to me the most important possible thing that you could work on. I think that it would be highly advantageous to have such a development of a list of subjects as is proposed. You will possibly remember that when the matter was first under discussion over two years ago I suggested that we communicate with the various universities on this matter, but it was thought premature. Fortunately it was brought up in a more definite and constructive form this spring by Dr. Hope and you. I have felt that possibly my major emphasis was on subjects, yours is on contributors. Both are important, but at this stage before we have the Encyclopaedia financed it seems to me that the most important emphasis should be on the analysis of the material; what subjects should be covered, and how they should be grouped. This is a matter of vital importance.

(3) I am particularly glad to notice the emphasis of Professor Johnson under (9) and (10), where he speaks of the importance of an adequate treatment of Africa and that all "articles should be written with great scientific accuracy and efficiency".

Indeed, the whole memorandum seems to be most useful.

I may be addressed hereafter regularly in Washington. I shall

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keep your memorandum for the next meeting that we have of our Executive Committee as it seems to me really important, and am sending a copy for the files of the Phelps-Stokes Fund.

Sincerely yours,
Anson Phelps Stokes
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Dictated by Dr. Stokes
but signed in his absence.

Copy for Phelps-Stokes Fund
with copy of attached memorandum

47-10-74

Encyclopaedia of the Negro

14-24-63

October 2, 1935

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2403 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

Enclosed is a carbon of the letter which I sent to Mr. Alsberg and also a copy of the personal memorandum which Mr. Reid sent me. He looked over the letter which I sent to Mr. Alsberg and approved it. I enclosed to Mr. Alsberg a copy of our preliminary memorandum concerning the Encyclopaedia. I have had no word from him, as I told you when in Washington.

It did not seem to me that either Mr. Foreman or Dr. Weaver had any very great interest in the Encyclopaedia project, and certainly, they had very little information that they could give us. I think the really important point is seeking to get a proper sponsor for the work. Howard University was mentioned and might do, especially Mr. Crawley's influence would be good. On the other hand, Howard has had so much trouble recently that if we could get this project through without involving Howard, I should feel better.

I had an appointment with Dr. Jameson of the Library of Congress in September, but unfortunately he was delayed. I was going to talk to him about the project and I have written him in response to a cordial letter of apology telling him that I would like to call and talk about the Encyclopaedia sometime when I am in Washington. It has occurred to me that if by any possible chance we could get the Library of Congress to sponsor this preliminary work, we should have a splendid situation. What do you think about this? I should be glad to have your opinion.

Thank you very much for your hospitality while I was in Washington.

Very sincerely yours

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

W. E. B. Du Bois

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE. N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

October 8, 1935

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 2nd. I am very glad to have the copies enclosed of Mr. Reid's memorandum to you, also of your letter to Mr. Alsberg, which seems to me admirable. I am writing him a note of which I enclose a copy herewith.

Mr. Foreman has, I believe, a very genuine interest in the encyclopaedia project. I think that Dr. Weaver is also interested, but has this other project which he very frankly told us must take precedence, as far as he was concerned. I notice that you have sent Mr. Alsberg a copy of the memorandum, so thinking that you may be short I am sending you a couple of extra copies which may prove useful.

14-26-70

I realize that the present situation at Howard is difficult and might prove embarrassing. I feel that President Johnson has done a magnificent work in raising the scholarly standards of the University and getting it public support, but I realize that for one reason or another he has alienated an influential group. I presume that the situation, however, is temporary. Of course if we could get the Library of Congress behind the plan it would be magnificent. Dr. Jameson would, I am sure, be interested.

I should also acknowledge receipt of your very good letter of September 20th, being a copy of similar letters that you are sending to other people.

For your files may I say that I do indeed believe that the time has come when some authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro race in the form of an encyclopaedia is in demand, and I of course want to cooperate in the project in any way that I can. It may perhaps be best, owing to my relationship to the movement, that I should not contribute any article.

This morning's papers give the splendid news of one colored man on the petty jury in Mississippi, and three in Alabama. I am perfectly delighted. I have long felt that the jury line was the best method of approaching in the South the problem of the Negro's civic rights.

I enclose a program of the Mass Meeting to which I have given most all my time in recent weeks. It was a remarkable success with nearly 4,000 people present of both races, and all religious groups.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Encs:

COPY for Dr. DuBois

aPS

October 9, 1935

My dear Mr. Alsberg:

14-26-71

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois has sent me a copy of his important memorandum to you under date of September 12th regarding the Negro Encyclopaedia project, and has also told me of Mr. Ira Reid's active endorsement of the plan.

As the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Negro Encyclopaedia project, and as one who is convinced as to the extreme importance, from the standpoint of providing a sound basis for Negro development in this country and for the improvement of interracial conditions, I shall be glad to place any further information at your disposal. What I hope is that the plan outlined by Dr. DuBois after discussion with Mr. Reid may be made the basis of a grant for preliminary work which would make it possible to make use of a considerable number of white-collared employees among the educated Negroes, in doing preliminary work of investigation and collection of material.

I should perhaps add that both Mr. Foreman and Dr. Weaver, who have been the Government's advisers in the Department of the Interior, on the economic status of the Negro, are well informed of the plans of the Encyclopaedia, and would, I am sure, do all in their power to advance its interests.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Anson Phelps Stokes

Mr. Henry G. Alsberg
Director, Federal Writers' Project
World Progress Administration Auditorium
Washington, D. C.

APS:m

Encyclopaedia

14-24-64

October 11, 1935

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

I have sent out altogether 156 letters to persons who might be interested in or might contribute to the Encyclopaedia. You know the type of letter sent. I am enclosing a digest of answers and eventually I will send you the complete letters of all.

I have heard that President Dixon Ryan Fox of Union College, Schenectady, New York, may have something to do with the FWA and I have written him accordingly. Also, I have written George Foster Peabody, Will Alexander and Dr. Moton to see if they can bring any pressure to bear.

I shall continue sending out letters to new lists and then shall turn to the matter of getting a list of subjects which I can send out for criticism.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

October 15, 1935

14-24-65

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter of October 11th, and have read it and enclosures with care. I am delighted to see the uniformity of opinion as to the need of such an Encyclopaedia, also the expression of willingness to help. This will all be of service to us.

Now as to the coming year, I have been thinking of what we could do as far as our small Phelps-Stokes Fund is concerned. As you perhaps know, our entire fund is only about $1,200,000 and under my Aunt's will, in addition to the matters of education especially among the Negroes in Africa and the United States, we must devote a good deal of our money--that is the income of our permanent fund--to the improvement of housing conditions in New York City. We are just publishing a rather extensive report in two volumes edited by Professor Ford of the Department of Sociology of Harvard on this subject, which I hope and believe will be the best thing of its kind which has yet appeared. Of course our regular contributions are to Negro schools and colleges, the bringing over of European and Native students of education from Africa, interracial activities, the maintaining of our office, which is used for every kind of meeting in the interest of the colored people, and especially by Liberian committees, African students, Tuskegee, committees in the interest of Ethiopia, etc., so we have not much leeway. Our principal must be kept intact.

We have, however, a $5,000 sum set apart as a nest egg for our Encyclopaedia project, which we wanted, if possible, to keep as a sort of bait to attract larger gifts. I have in mind, however, if you think that it would be helpful, to recommend to the Board that we place at least a thousand dollars at your disposal for this coming year to continue the type of work that you have been doing. I feel that every bit of work that you can do during these next few years, especially in the matter of organizing the material, that is deciding on the subjects and their grouping, will be tremendously valuable. I think it would not be advisable for us under any circumstances, to draw on over half of the $5,000 Encyclopaedia fund, but we can, I think, give something between $1,000 and $2,500, of which a couple of hundred dollars should be for a conference of our Committee. Perhaps the best thing would be to give you an honorarium of from $500 to a thousand dollars, and to place about $1,500 at your disposal for stenography, typing, postage, etc.

I do not, of course, know what your financial situation is, and how much time you could spare for the project from your regular work. Perhaps you will show this letter to Mr. Hope and talk the whole matter over frankly with him and then write me your reactions. I want to be as helpful as possible in getting this matter advanced, but the Fund's heavy demands and reduced income make a large grant by us impossible, although, of course, we shall soon have to approach the Foundations again.

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

P.S. I enclose copy of letter from Mr. Reid Harris, acknowledging receipt of my x letter to Mr. Alsberg.

COPY

WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION
Walker-Johnson Building
1734 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D.C.

Harris

October 14, 1935

14-31-07

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Ave., N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Stokes:

In Mr. Alsberg's absence I am answering your letter of October 9, regarding the proposed Negro Encyclopaedia project.

Mr. Alsberg is very much interested in this proposal, but for budgetary reasons has been unable to take steps to put it into operation. We are keeping all papers in connection with this proposal at hand ready for further action in case the budgetary restrictions are lifted. However, it appears possible that no further projects can be undertaken this year.

Thank you very much for letting us know of your attitude on this matter. I am sure it will carry weight with Mr. Alsberg.

Very truly yours,

Reed Harris
Assistant to the Director,
Federal Writers' Projects

Encyclopaedia

14-24-66

2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

October 23, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Your second group of replies to the Encyclopaedia letter has just reached me. These are all excellent and will help us. I am taking the liberty of forwarding the two sets which you have forwarded me on to the Phelps-Stokes Fund as they will help at our meeting. I assume that Dr. Brawley, as Secretary, has received copies. If not, I will get mine back from the Phelps-Stokes Fund after our meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Susan Phelps Stokes

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

Copy, with replies, for Dr. Jones

Encyclopaedia

October 24, 1935

14-24-07

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

I am enclosing another batch of answers to my letters. We have received in all 80 replies and the unanimity with which these scholars declare the necessity of the Encyclopaedia is very encouraging. I am going to send a set of these abstracts to Mr. Embree.

I have shown your letter to Dr. Hope. I think that your proposal is an excellent thing. By January 1, I should have finished the correspondence with regard to the desirability of the Encyclopaedia and the willingness to co-operate. I think, then, that we will take up seriously the question of the topics to be treated. That is a matter which might occupy us a year and could be done entirely by correspondence from this office. I shall be glad to devote time to it which I could without interfering with my regular work. It seems to me that now is the time to push hard for financial backing.

I have one job to do which may interfere a little with my work, but not seriously. The Oberlaender Trust has offered me my expenses to make a study in Germany of the relation of education to industry under the Third Reich. I shall spend the summer and a part of the fall in that work, but will be back in order not to interrupt seriously either my teaching or work for the Encyclopaedia.

I have written one or two persons to secure their good offices in pushing the matter of a grant from the government. I wrote Mr. Peabody, but unfortunately he is confined to his bed and will not be able to consider the matter for sometime. I wrote to Mr. Vann, who is a colored politician in the Attorney General's office. He has considerable influence and writes me October 21: "I am leaving tonight for Washington and will begin work on your suggestion tomorrow morning."

I have also tried to get in touch with Dr. Moton, but the letter which I sent him to Tuskegee was returned without comment. I cannot quite make out the reason for this or why it was not forwarded to him.

Very sincerely yours

WEBD/DW
Enclosures

W. E. B. Du Bois

Encyclopaedia

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

October 30, 1935

14-24-68

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Your letter of October 24th reaches me on my return from the Tuskegee Inauguration.

I am delighted to see that the replies regarding the Encyclopaedia project continue to be so favorable. I notice one from Mr. Barnett, who made an excellent address at Dr. Patterson's inauguration. I was, incidentally, much pleased with the whole atmosphere of the exercises.

I have written Dr. Hope suggesting that I will send down, if he likes, quite a miscellaneous collection of pamphlets on Negro colleges, movements, reports, etc., which I have accumulated over many years, thinking that they might be of some service to you and others in the Atlanta University.

In view of your approval I shall bring up before the Phelps-Stokes Fund Trustees the setting apart of $2500 this coming year for the Encyclopaedia project. Our meeting comes on November the 22nd. Unless I hear from you or Dr. Hope to the contrary, I would suggest that of this amount $500 be an honorarium to you, $1,500 to be used for clerical expenses, stationery, postage, etc., and $500 for conference of our Executive Committee, and perhaps in the Spring of our Advisory Council.

Here are some names that I think might be worth writing to if you have not already sent them your questions:

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- President Graham of the University of North Carolina.
- Mr. Grover Cleveland Hall, the Editor of the Montgomery Advertiser, who received the Pulitzer Prize a few days ago for his fine stand on lynching.
- Provost Mann of Cornell University, who has become increasingly interested in the problem of the Negro farmer.
- Dr. J. H. Oldham, a member of the Advisory Committee on Education in Africa of the Colonial Office; Editor of the Missionary Review of the World, etc., address, Edinburgh House, 2 Eaton Gate, London, S.W.1.
- Dr. Rheinallt Jones, Director of the Institute of Race Relations, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg.

These just happen to be a few names that have occurred to me.

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

P.S. I am very glad that the Oberlaender Trust matter has worked out. I was glad to commend your appointment in some correspondence that I had with them last summer.

Copy, with letter, for Dr. Jones

Encyclopaedia

14-24-69

October 31, 1935

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

I have just received a letter, copy of which I enclose, from the President of Union College. I have written him that I do not know to whom he might profitably write, but thanked him. If you think that a letter from him in any direction would be of value, perhaps you would kindly tell me.

I am very much ashamed to be so late in returning your copy of the Yale Review. I read it immediately and then promptly lost it among my books and papers and was unable to find it until yesterday. You will remember, however, that I warned you about loaning it to me.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

COPY
for Dr. DuBois
A.P.J.

Encyclopaedia

AMERICAN COUNCIL ON EDUCATION
744 Jackson Place
Washington, D. C.

November 7, 1935.

14-24-20

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes,
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Stokes:

Thank you for your letter of November 4, raising the question of how to bring the Negro Encyclopaedia project properly before the relief organizations in the hope of securing white collar workers to help on the Negro Encyclopaedia. The case has been presented to Dr. Zook. We agree that the best bet for securing help from the relief organization lies through a proper application to the Office of Education. While this office has co-operated with educational institutions in making good use of F.E.R.A. funds, we have nothing to do with the allocation of those funds. Commissioner Studebaker, however, has direct influence with the relief organization with regard to projects that have educational significance. Therefore, I believe the best line of attack is through Commissioner Studebaker's office.

There may be a line of attack through Aubrey Williams, Chairman of the committee in charge of the National Youth Administration. They have assigned F.E.R.A. funds for school work this winter. They have not yet allocated all of the fifty million dollars allotted to them. In any case the project of the Negro Encyclopaedia would, I think, meet more effective consideration if presented directly to the federal officers responsible rather than through more indirect application via this office. Such application might be presented by the committee which you organized for this project. This would probably be more effective than an application from Dr. DuBois himself. This Council, as well as the other Councils here, is represented on that committee.

If it is going to require too much labor to secure an approval of an application by this committee, I believe Howard University could apply directly either to the Commissioner of Education or to the relief organization for this special project. All that the relief organization would have to do would be to increase the quota assigned to Howard University in order to take care of this particular project.

Cordially yours,

MANN

CRM:LG

Encyclopaedia

November 11, 1935

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

14-24-41

My dear Dr. Stokes:

I have just received from Mr. George Foster Peabody a letter, copy of which I enclose, from Frank C. Walker, Executive Director of the National Emergency Council. I am sending the copy for your information.

I shall enclose further abstracts from letters received from time to time. I have secured what I think is a complete list of all Negro scholars up to 1935 who have received the Ph.D degree in reputable American and foreign universities. I am writing all of them.

I wonder if you would not like for your annual meeting of the Stokes Board the original letters which I have received on the Encyclopaedia project. They would be very impressive and might convince any possible skeptics. If you wish, I will send all to you and later they can be returned here for my files.

I am trying to see if I cannot secure for help in making a proposed list of subjects, the services of Rayford Logan, instructor in economics here. He is an honor graduate of Williams and Phi Beta Kappa and is finishing his thesis for a Ph.D at Harvard. He was Captain in the A.E.F. and is a brilliant man.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 13, 1935

14-24-72

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Department of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter of November 11th with copy enclosed of the letter from Mr. Frank Walker, Executive Director of the National Emergency Council. This is important and as far as it goes, encouraging.

I enclose copy of a letter that I have written to Dr. Lindeman on the same subject. It is sometimes helpful to have interest shown from several different angles. I think your idea of reaching the Negro Ph.D. is admirable. It might also be well to secure, with the cooperation of Professor Odum, Professor Loram, and others as well as from your own knowledge, lists of open-minded white scholars at home and abroad who have made special studies of problems, Negro history, life, etc.

I think your suggestion that you forward the letters that you have received to the Phelps-Stokes Fund for our meeting next Friday is an admirable one. Please address them directly to the office, 101 Park Avenue, New York.

What you say about Rayford Logan is most encouraging. I wonder if by any chance he is a son of my old friend, Warren Logan, who was for many years the honored Treasurer of Tuskegee.

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

APS:m

Copy for Dr. Jones

COPY
for Dr. DuBois
A.P.S.

November 14, 1935

14-24-73

Dear Dr. Lindeman:

I have just received through Mr. George Foster Peabody the copy of a letter which he had received from Mr. Frank C. Walker, Executive Director of the National Emergency Council, showing the interest of the Works Progress Administration in the Encyclopaedia of the Negro Project. I have thought that it would be well for you to have in your files a copy of the memorandum unanimously adopted after a series of meetings attended by a remarkable group of Negro scholars and educators and white men interested in the Negro.

You will see what a comprehensive plan we have in mind and how all strong groups, liberal and conservative, in the Negro intellectual world are represented, as well as the ablest and fairest white men interested in the Negro, such as Professor Loram, head of the Race Relations Department at Yale, Dr. Dillard, former head of the Jeanes and Slater Funds, Dr. Alexander, President of the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, and now Dr. Tugwell's assistant in the Resettlement Administration, and others. You will also note that the leading learned societies have endorsed the movement and that Dr. DuBois, perhaps the best known of Negro scholars, who has given up Journalism to become a professor at Atlanta University, has been chosen to do the preliminary work of organizing the material for which the Phelps-Stokes Fund is making some small grants.

As the carrying out of the program would provide work for a large number of Negro intellectuals who are at present out of work and should not be overlooked in the Government's program, and as it would render a very great public service, I have thought that you should know about it, and hope that you may find it possible to advance Dr. Du Bois' appeal to Mr. Alsberg under date of September 12th, of which I enclose a copy herewith. It would, I am sure, be possible to find some tax-supported agency, such as Howard University, for instance, to act as sponsor for any government funds made available. President Johnson has assured me that he and his trustees would be enthusiastic about the plan.

Sincerely yours,
ANSON PHELPS STOKES

P.S. I have had several conferences on the proposed government cooperation in the survey projected by the Committee on Leisure Time Facilities for Government Employees, and shall hope to confer with you further about this matter next week.

Dr. Eduard Lindeman
Community Organization for Leisure
Works Progress Administration
1734 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

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11-24-41

November 14, 1935

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

I imagine you will want for your annual meeting a financial report of the $250 appropriated for my work for the Encyclopaedia last year.

I am enclosing such a report. If it is not in proper form, I should be glad to change it in any way.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

14-24-75

November 19, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Dr. Stokes has asked me to thank you for your note of November 14th and to say that the statement enclosed is in excellent form and will be presented to the Phelps Stokes Trustees at their meeting this week.

Sincerely yours,
R. A. Malone
Secretary to
Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Encyclopaedia

14-24-74

November 21, 1935

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

I sent all of the original letters received in the Encyclopaedia matter by insured railway express, Wednesday morning, November 20. I directed them to 101 Park Avenue, New York. I trust that you received them.

Since writing you, I have received five other letters, four of them from colored Doctors of Philosophy, all of whom will be glad to co-operate.

Rayford Logan is not related to Warren Logan of Tuskegee, but is a Washington boy, a graduate of Williams, where he was valedictorian and Phi Beta Kappa, a Captain in the AEF and a candidate for Ph.D. at Harvard. He is a brilliant man and is willing to co-operate.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 27, 1935

14-24-77

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Department of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Thanks for your letter of November 21st. I left the files in the office as I wanted Dr. Jones and Mr. Jackson Davis to see what the representative scholars and educators with whom you have been in correspondence, said about the Encyclopaedia project.

You will receive in due time, probably about a week or ten days, a copy of the vote passed by the Phelps-Stokes Fund at its meeting last Friday. In brief, it authorizes $2,500 this fiscal year for the Encyclopaedia project, of which $500 is to be an honorarium to you, $1500 to be used at your discretion for clerical help, postage, etc., and $500 set aside for meetings of the Executive Committeeand/or the Advisory Council at my discretion.

You will be interesed to know that I had an excellent talk with Jackson Davis about the project. I think that he is really interested. He feels that we are going along exactly the right line in this preliminary work that you are doing, and that we are more apt to get Foundation support later if we can show adequately the scope and organization of the Encyclopaedia material, its writers, endorsements, etc.

Keppel also seemed interested. He spoke with pleasure of one or two things which his Fund was aiding you in directly or indirectly. He said that he hoped we would not press the Encyclopaedia project on the Corporation "too soon". I gathered that he was really interested.

You will see from the above that as far as it goes my news about the Encyclopaedia is encouraging. At least we can go ahead this year in organizing and preparing the Encyclopaedia plan, and getting the names of people who would be most competent to look after departments and prepare articles when and if we are in funds to go ahead.

Very sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

P.S. Mr. Keppel suggested that if you had not already done so, you would best confer with Alvin Johnson, the Associate Editor of the Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences. He thought that his experience would be invaluable.

Copy, with Dr. DuBois' letter, for Phelps Stokes Fund
Copy for Professor Brawley.

Lindemann just writes me that "Mr. Crosyn of the Federal Writers Project" is interested - See enclosed.

for Dr. Bulkley
A.P.S.

14-24-75

November 20, 1935

Canon Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Canon Stokes:

Permit me to thank you for your letter of November 14. I am hoping to have a conference today with the officials of our Writers' Project. I shall keep you informed about any information which is reviewed to me during this week. } de Engelbrecht

Now that funds have actually been made available for the National Youth Administration, I am hoping that the Washington recreation survey for government employees will be soon undertaken.

Sincerely,

Eduard C. Lindeman, Director
Community Organization for Leisure

Lindeman:bm

P. S. I have just received the following note from Mr. Cronyn of the Federal Writers Project:

"We have this under consideration as soon as we get better organized."

ECL.

December 5, 1935

14-24-79

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

I have your kind letter of November 27 and shall be glad to follow out the plans indicated. I am glad to know that Mr. Davis and Mr. Keppel are at least interested. With regard to Mr. Keppel's suggestion, you will remember that I had a long and very interesting interview with Alvin Johnson and he gave me a good deal of information and offered to co-operate with us in any way.

I am sending you herewith both abstracts and originals from letters received since I sent you the file. There are some important letters here, as, for instance, the one from Odum. You may want to let Mr. Davis and Mr. Jones see these.

I shall immediately set about the research necessary for determining a proposed list of subjects which the Encyclopaedia might treat.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures herewith

Encyclopedia

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 10, 1935

14-24-80

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter of December 5th with its new group of interesting letters enclosed. I am forwarding these all to the Phelps-Stokes Fund Office suggesting that they keep typewritten extracts from letters and that they return all the originals with the other originals that they have to you for your files. It is most encouraging to see the excellent letters from people like Professor Odum of the University of North Carolina, Professor Cushman of Cornell, Professor Thompson of Howard, Principal Banks of Prairie View, and so many others.

I think that hereafter it will not be necessary for you to send on the original documents, but only the extracts from more important letters.

I realized after writing to you the other day that it was Mr. Alvin Johnson that you had consulted. I am glad that he proved so helpful.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Copy, with letters,
for Phelps-Stokes Fund.

Encyclopaedia

14-24-81

December 18, 1935

Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes
2408 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Stokes:

In your letter of November 27, you said that I would receive in "probably about a week or ten days," a copy of the vote passed by the Phelps Stokes Fund at its November meeting. I have as yet received no notice and I am wondering if the officials again have made any mistake in my address.

I am going to be away a few days for Christmas, but I would like to begin work very early in the new year.

With best wishes of the season

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/jw

Encyclopaedia

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
2408 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE. N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 21, 1935

14-24-82

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am sorry that the Secretary has been delayed in sending out the announcements of actions at the meeting of the Phelps-Stokes Fund the last week in November. The delay was due to the difficulty of securing certain reports to be inserted in the Minutes.

As I have received my copy from the Secretary, I send you herewith a transcript of the vote regarding the appropriation for the Negro Encyclopaedia work:

> VOTED: That Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($2,500), from the Five Thousand Dollars* ($5,000) already definitely set aside in the Accumulated Educational Fund for the proposed Encyclopedia of the Negro Project be appropriated as follows: - Five Hundred Dollars ($500) being an honorarium to Dr. DuBois for his services in formulating an outline of the material for the proposed Encyclopedia and its classification, preparing through correspondence a list of the scholars, white and Negro, best fitted to write the more important articles, and advancing the project in other ways; One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($1,500) being for office assistance, postage, travel, etc.; and Five Hundred Dollars ($500) being placed at the disposal of the President for meetings of the Executive Committee and/or the Advisory Council, and related matters.
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> * (Per Vote No. 9 of Nov. 18, 1931)

As to the method of payment, I will ask Mr. Roy to take this up directly with you. You may count on receiving preliminary payments in January.

I am much pleased at these additional letters regarding the Encyclopaedia received this morning. They are all most encouraging and I am forwarding them on to the Office.

There are two persons representing the white south to whom I would like you to write if you have not done so, namely, Professor Stewart Mims of Vanderbilt University, and Mr. W. T. Couch, the head of the University Press at the University of North Carolina. I think it particularly important to get his support. I am very much impressed with the attitude of the Press at the University, which is due largely to his own broad point of view.

I had an interview with him lately about a proposed series of biographies of representative Negroes to be written by Negroes and published by the University of North Carolina Press in case the project could be financed. His attitude was perfectly fine.

With the best greetings of the Season, I am

Sincerely yours,

Copy for the Phelps-Stokes Fund

Susan Phelps Stokes

14-24-83

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February
20th
1935

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Kindly let me know as soon as it is published, where I can get your book on the Reconstruction Period. If convenient, tell your publisher to send me a copy and the bill as soon as it is ready for distribution.

I trust you are finding satisfaction in all your great work.

Very truly yours,

W. Pickens

William Pickens
Field Secretary

Dr. W.E.B. DuBoise
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

WP:EL

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 1, 1935

Mr. William Pickens
N. A. A. C. P.
69 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

14-25-31

My dear Mr. Pickens:

My book, "Black Reconstruction", will be issued by Harcourt, Brace and Company in April. It contains 750 pages and will sell, I understand, for $4.50. I thank you for your interest.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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[Pickens]

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15-12-76

June 19, 1935----
Terre Haute, Ind.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Professor of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Aylanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

Enclosed is carbon of a hastily but heartily written word on your new book, "Black Reconstruction" in America.

I shall get a better, two-line space copy, to send you before long.-- Your book just overtook me yesterday, here in Indiana.

I shall send copy of this word to the Associated Negro Press and to other publications.

Now, I shall enjoy the Book.

Best regards to friends and co-workers, especially to the President of Atlanta University,

and Best Wishes for your continued life and work and happiness---

Very truly yours,

William Pickens

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 1st, 1935

Mr. William Pickens, Sr.
260 West 139th Street
New York, N. Y.

14-25-30

My dear Mr. Pickens:

I thank you for your kind words concerning my book.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBDuBois/s

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October 2, 1935

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I just called up your residence to learn that you had already gone back to Atlanta. I met Miss Wilson on Seventh Avenue one day and she told me that you had an office at 200 West 135th Street. I have been very busy at my work, but meant to call by your office and see if there was anything I could do further to help to call attention to, or distribute, your wonderful book among the masses of the colored people as I journey about through the country. I am not referring to the matter of book agency, but simply to the opportunity for a volunteer to speak of the book or to hand out any circulars describing it.

Of course, I shall take the time and pleasure of speaking of the book in any case and in all places. But I wondered whether you or the publisher had any special thing to suggest that I could do in that line.

Very truly yours,

W. Pickens

William Pickens
Director of Branches

Dr. W.E.B. DuBoise
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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October 7, 1935

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Thanks for your letter of September 30, concerning the Encyclopedia of the Negro. It would seem that now would be a favorable time to prepare such an encyclopedia, as I expect that the demand for it will be growing from now on. By the time it is prepared, if the preparation is attended with due notices to the public, there should be a ready market. Such a work must, of course, be confined largely to institutions and libraries, thinkers and investigators, and other very thoughtful people.

I shall be glad to cooperate in any way in which you think I can be helpful. When I know the scope which the work contemplates, perhaps you and I can select certain topics for me to prepare a statement on. Do you plan to give statements about individual institutions and organizations? If so, I can think of myself as preparing the articles on Talladega College, Morgan College, the Associated Negro Press and other items of that kind.

Of course, if there is any historical or social matter which you would like for me to investigate and prepare a statement on, I shall be glad to do that.

I think that the general interest manifested in an historical work like "Black Reconstruction" shows that the people would welcome such a library of succinct information as this encyclopedia should furnish.

Very truly yours,

William Pickens
Director of Branches

Dr. W.E.B. Dubois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

WP:EL

October 8, 1935

Mr. William Pickens
N. A. A. C. P.
69 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

14-25-29

My dear Mr. Pickens:

I thank you for your offer concerning my book and shall be glad for any notice you can give it.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[PITTSBURGH COURIER]

ROBERT L. VANN
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
2628 CENTRE AVENUE
PITTSBURGH, PENNA.

December 27, 1935

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Sir:

I have resigned my position with the Department of Justice for the sole purpose of coming home looking after my private business. I believe the depression is about to lift in spite of the politicians, and I am home laying plans to meet the rising tide of business.

I am going to add some new features to The Pittsburgh Courier and I hope to include a column from your pen as one of those features. I do not know how busy you are with your research work and your teaching but it seems to me that out of your store of information you should be able to supply us with a weekly column dealing with such subjects as you think are of general interest to the reading public, and especially, the Negro public.

Drop me a note and tell me whether you have time to write such a column, whether you will be willing to do it, and what compensation you would expect each week to be paid each week for your column.

This is not a syndicated column. It will be the exclusive property of The Pittsburgh Courier. I need not discuss the type of column in this letter, but if you find it possible to accept my offer I will then discuss with you the type of column I think would be most valuable to The Courier and beneficial to its readers. May I hear from you?

Wishing you a happy New Year, I am

Yours very truly,

Robert L. Vann

RLV:THH

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DEPARTMENT OF BACTERIOLOGY, PREVENTIVE
MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH

14-23-14

December 18, 1935

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am in receipt of your letter of December 6, 1935 in which you made mention of a plan for publishing an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I believe the time is ripe for such a project and I am in accord with it.

I do not know whether my particular work has qualified me to speak with any degree of authority on things particular to the Negro.

My work has been in the field of fundimental Science, in which the Negro has not been especially considered. There are two or three occasions in which articles of mine have attempted to show pathological differences in the races. I do not feel, however, that my experience justifies my speaking with authority.

I am sending you under separate cover, some of my reprints, which I have available. Will you review them and let me know if anything along that line will be suitable for the Encyclopaedia in question. I am sorry that of the sixteen published articles, I have only a few of them available. If you are further interested, you may read them in any of the standard medical libraries.

I can say that my particular interest is in rural Medical Health problems, and if you think that I am qualified to make a contribution to the Encyclopaedia along any such lines, I will be very glad to do so.

I will not be able to accept any renumeration, and shall be glad to contribute to the Encyclopaedia gratis.

Very truly yours,

H. A. Poindexter

H.A.Poindexter, Head
Department of Bacteriology
Preventive Medicine and
Public Health

Oglethorpe University

MANU DEI RESURREXIT

Oglethorpe University, Ga.

Good minds, good morals, and good manners

July 1935.

Dr. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois.
C/o Messrs Harcourt, Brace and Company,
New York.

Dear Sir:

Would you be so kind as to tell me whether in your opinion "Uncle Tom's Cabin" had any real part in brigning about the Civil War and the abolition of slavery.

I am interested in the question because something similar occured in my own country, Russia, with Tourgeneff's "Tales of a Hunter". The book is credited with having made serfdom impossible and virtually to have compelled the Governement to liberate the serfs.

In my opinion, this is a gross misconception based upon ignorance or a wilful miscostruction inspired by mmuch biassed political attitude.

In Russia Mrs. Beecher Stowe's book was read by every school boy and it was considered as one of the powerful factors of the ultimate issue. In this section, I met a lady who, on hearing the name, surprised me by the indignant cry: "He ought to be hanged." I found not a word to say. It was a complete knock-out.

Pray believe me

Very truly yours,

P. Porohovshikov.

October 25, 1935

Mr. P. Porohovshikov
Oglethorpe University
Oglethorpe University, Georgia

My dear Sir:

16-13-42

I am very sorry that I have neglected to answer your letter of July 11. It was a long time finding me because I was absent on my vacation and in the hurry of returning to my work here in Atlanta, I overlooked it. Perhaps this late answer will not be too late.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" did have a good deal to do with the Civil War and the abolition of slavery. My authority for this is none other than Abraham Lincoln. When Lincoln met Harriet Beecher Stowe for the first time in November, 1862, he said: "So you're the little woman who wrote the book that made this great war." You will find this on page 203 of "The Life of Harriet Beecher Stowe" by Charles Edward Stowe and Lyman Beecher Stowe published in 1911. The book was not allowed to be sold in the South.

If I can serve you further, I should be very glad.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Oglethorpe University

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Oglethorpe University, Ga.

Good minds, good morals, and good manners

November , 1935.

Dear Dr. Du Bois.

I am extremely obliged to you for your letter.

16-13-43

When I was a boy, I read, like all my school-fellows, Uncle Tom's Cabin and Believed that it had had much influence on public opinion on the question of slavery.

Some years ago, when a niece of mine came to this country, she happened to mention the book to a charming old lady in Woodville, Georgia. The indignant answer was: "He ought to be hanged." -- "Who?" ejaculated my niece in great surprise. -- "The man who wrote that book!"

It is reassuring to find that the ideas in old Russia on America were not so far from the truth as they might have been. But among my friends here I have never found any one to give me the facts you were good enough to state in your letter.

Very sincerely yours,

P. Porohovshikov.

P. Porohovshikov.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 3, 1935

Miss Mary L. Poston
549 West 7th Street
FRIENDSHIP HOME
Cincinnati, Ohio

My dear Madam:

I am answering your questions to the best of my ability as follows:

1. Negroes as such are not adapted to any particular climate. It depends entirely upon their personal history.

2. There is no more laziness among Negroes than any other race. People of the tropics must move more slowly than those of colder climates, otherwise they will die.

3. The Negro is not more criminal than the whites, but he is, in proportion to his numbers, more often arrested and accused of crime and more summarily convicted whether guilty or not.

4. The support of Negro education along all lines is still very deficient. Negroes are not inferior in endowment but they have had in modern days restricted opportunities. There are not sufficient Negro teachers but there is a growing number.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-11-30

Law School of Harvard University,
Cambridge, Mass.

W

16th October 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

I quite agree as to the timeliness of an authoritative collection of articles concerning the negro race in the form of an encyclopaedia. Also I should be glad to contribute an article or articles on some subject to be decided upon later, as you suggest. There are many important legal subjects which should find a place in such an encyclopaedia, and many of them would come within the purview of my studies. The law of slavery in this country differed in marked respects from the law on that subject elsewhere, and the encyclopaedia ought to have an authoritative article on that subject. The constitutional guarantees of individual rights after the Civil War, and their operation as securing to negroes what the provisions were intended to bring about calls also for an authoritative article and could well be made the subject of a very useful and illuminating one. From the standpoint of a lawyer, the specific enforcement of labor contracts in the southern states running quite counter to the traditional doctrines of common law and equity would be another important subject. In fact, I think a legal editor, or a small group of competent lawyers, could very well work out a program of legal articles which would be of value not only in the encyclopaedia but generally.

Yours very truly,

Roscoe Pound

x Roscoe Pound

14-31-09

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October 24th,
1 9 3 5.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-12-46

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I am heartily in favor of the plan to publish an Encyclopedia of the Negro. Suppose I give you a short article of "The Negro's Contribution to Religion". If this sounds alright to you, let me know about how many words.

We miss your personality and counsel at 69- 5th Avenue but I am sure that Atlanta is richer because you are there.

Most sincerely,

A. Clayton Powell

A. Clayton Powell,

ACP/H

January 2, 1935

President John Hope
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear President Hope:

We are now laying plans to have our Sixth Conference on the Education of Negroes in Texas at Prairie View early in March of this year. These Conferences have grown in interest and importance, until Texas looks forward each year to this occasion. This year, we are to have for our deliberation some aspects of the "Economic Life of Negroes in Texas". Our machinery is now in motion gathering various types of information for our study.

The most competent person on my staff to take the leadership in assembling and interpreting this data coming in, is now on leave to study for the year. Therefore, it has come to my mind that if we could get Atlanta University to lend us Dr. Du Bois for two or three weeks for the purpose of assembling and interpreting the data for this Conference, it would mean much to the State and institution.

The purpose of this letter then, is to get your reaction on the suggestion of having Atlanta University join us in the manner suggested above. If you can do this, I wish to assure you that it would be a most happy and appreciative and worthwhile co-operative effort. I should be pleased to have you write me frankly on the question raised in this letter.

I trust that your work is going forward satisfactorily and that your health is good.

I am

Yours truly,

W. R. Banks
Principal

WRB:W

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 2, 1935

President W. R. Banks
Prairie View State College
Prairie View, Texas

My dear President Banks:

President Hope has not decided, apparently, concerning your proposition. He mentioned it to me briefly once and seemed rather against it. Meantime, I was out of town for a week. When I came back, I sent him the enclosed memorandum. I have since had no word from him. Probably, he will not make up his mind until the very last moment, and perhaps you had better prod him a little.

My best regards to you and Mrs. Banks.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 9, 1935

14-2-35

President W. R. Banks
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

My dear President Banks:

I had a talk Wednesday with President Hope concerning the Prairie View visit. He agreed with my memorandum that we ought to do as much of that sort of thing as was possible, merely saying that if our professors got more popular it would make some problem of having enough teachers on the ground to carry on, but he said he would write or telegraph you, and suggest that 2 weeks would be about as long as I could be spared.

I suggested that perhaps some of the work on advice or compilation could be done here before I go or after I returned. I have heard nothing more, but presume that he has communicated with you.

My best regards to you and Mrs. Banks.

Very sincerely yours

W. E.B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 11, 1935

Principal W. R. Banks
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

14-2-37

My dear Mr. Banks:

President Hope has consented to my coming to Prairie View, provided we can arrange about the time, and provided the time is not too long. I am, however, faced at present with this difficulty.

In your letter to President Hope, January 2, you said: "We are now laying plans to have our Sixth Conference on the Education of Negroes in Texas at Prairie View early in March of this year." I have, therefore, been going on the assumption that the work that I could do would lie somewhere between the 1st and 23rd of March. We have a spring vacation beginning March 28 and lasting 5 or 6 days. I had already planned to give several lectures during that time in Durham, North Carolina, March 28, Bluefield, West Virginia, March 29, and in Pittsburgh, March 31. Arrangements for these have been made more than a month ago.

Now comes your last telegram saying, if I understand it correctly, that the conference is going to take place March 29, and that you would like to have me there on or about that time. I do not see how I could interfere with the lectures that I have planned without laying myself open to criticism. I could, of course, spend about 2 weeks with you, either from the 3rd to the 17th, or from the 10th to the 23rd. The latter being preferable, but this would depend upon just what you expected me to do. If my work was to be chiefly preparation for gathering data beforehand, it could be done easily in that time. If, on the other hand, you were counting on my being present at the conference, that, as I have said, would be difficult to arrange.

It is, of course, possible that I have misunderstood this matter of the dates of your conference. Please, therefore, write me as much in detail as possible so that we can see how I can be of use.

With best regards to you and Mrs. Banks,

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE

PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

OFFICE OF PRINCIPAL

February 12, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

H-2-39

I am attaching hereto the reply to my letter from Dr. Hope.

In making the suggestion of having you assist us in Texas was primarily to raise the question of the great opportunity Atlanta University was neglecting in the field of research. Although it may seem slow, I believe this is the beginning of activity in this direction.

In the light of his letter, we shall make an effort not to detain you from your work any longer than it is necessary. With this in mind, I am going to ask Mr. Cade to send you samples of the types of questionnaires that we have sent out in the State, and are now coming in daily. From this questionnaire, you can understand our line of investigation and outline such charts and placards as you think would be necessary to present the subject. In connection with this study, we plan, also, to use considerable information from the last census report. Within the next few days, you will be hearing from Mr. Cade.

It occurs to me that if the above suggestions are workable, it might be possible for you to reach Prairie View some where around the 22 or 23 of March and remain with us through the date of the Conference, March 29. Later, we shall send you the skelton program for the day. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction will be the Chairman of the meeting and there will be quite a number of prominent school authorities present and a large number of Colored educators.

In the meantime, I should like to know just how much your coming will cost us, so that I might be able to get all of the affairs for the Conference in line. I should be pleased to have a word from you on this point as soon as possible.

I am

Yours truly,

W. R. Banks
Principal

WRB:W

[ENCLOSURE]

C O P Y

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 6, 1935

Mr. W. R. Banks
Principal
Prairie View State College
Prairie View, Texas

14-2-36

Dear Mr. Banks:

I hope you will pardon my delay in answering finally your letter of January 2. When my secretary wrote you on January 14 that you wouldh ear from me within a few days, I had every intention of answering you the following week. First, however, I wished to talk with Dr. Du Bois, and when I got back to Atlanta he had left and did not return for a week. Since then I have had to leave the city again and am just back.

I had a conversation with Dr. DuBois today. He would be glad to do what you wish him to do, and I hope you know that I would be just as glad to have Atlanta University, through him, assist you. There is a question, however, whether he could be spared for so long a time as you wish. You say in your letter, "for two or three weeks". I wonder whether two weeks or less would suffice for his absence from the University. I am not sure whether you want him before the Conference or during the Conference; perhaps you wish both. Dr. Du Bois raised the question today whether some of your work could be done here in Atlanta, but we both have doubts about that.

Will you please write me at once what dates you most prefer that he be with you in Texas and whether two weeks or less would be satisfactory. I am hoping that you will get this letter by Friday, and would be glad if you would telegraph me so that I can settle the matter this week. I shall be leaving the city on Saturday or Sunday to be gone for at least a week.

I greatly appreciate your desire to cooperate with Atlanta University and wish to assure you that this feeling is fully shared by the University.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours

(Signed) John Hope

JH:C

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 14, 1935

Mr. W. R. Banks
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

14-2-40

My dear Mr. Banks:

I am leaving early Saturday morning, and I am afraid I may not hear from you before then. I can be reached thereafter by telegram or letter at 4809 Indiana Avenue, Chicago, C/O Jones, up until Thursday night, February 21. I shall be back again in Atlanta February 25.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Telegram

(CHARGED TO ATLANTA UNIVERSITY.)

1-2-38

February 15, 1938

Mr. W. R. Banks
Prairie View State College
Prairie View, Texas

Will plan to spend last two weeks in March with you Stop Letter follows

W.E. B. Du Bois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 15, 1935

Mr. W. R. Banks
Prairie View State College
Prairie View, Texas

14-2-41

My dear Mr. Banks:

I have your letter today and have telegraphed you that I will come the last 2 weeks of March. I think I had better leave here about the 18th and stay through the conference.

I have canceled the lecture dates which I had as I do not want my private lecturing, even in vacation time, to interfere with the best interests of the University.

I do not know what to say about charges. You know what the round-trip will cost and I think any fee in addition to that I would better leave to your judgment. I wouldn't want to be too parsimonious but at the same time we would avoid bankruptcy.

I shall be lecturing near Chicago next week, but shall return here the 25th. At that time, please let me know in detail your plans.

My best regards to you and Mrs. Banks.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE

PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

February 19, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I have just been informed that Prairie View is to have the honor and the pleasure of your suggestions and presence before and during the Annual Educational Conference held this year March 29, 1935.

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The general theme for study and discussion is "Economic Life of Negroes in Texas". Our financial condition has compelled us to rely mainly upon the questionnaire method of approach. Samples of questionnaires employed are enclosed herewith. You will note that all questionnaires have as a heading "State Department of Education". During the last week in December, the State Department of Education sent questionnaires into twenty-four different communities. Early in January, Prairie View sent additional questionnaires into twenty-five other communities reached through extension workers. In the foregoing manner, questionnaires were distributed into all the principal cities, towns, and rural communities in Texas inhabited by Negroes.

Completed questionnaires are now coming into our office both directly and by way of the State Department of Education. Over five hundred are on hand, and we are ready to begin compilation.

In addition to material mentioned above, we are planning to use much material of the 1930 census relating to the economic life of Negroes in Texas. Our effort has in mind the accumulation and interpretation of data regarding the economic life of all representative classes of Negroes in Texas. It also is interested in attitudes and practices of persons who employ Negroes on a large scale.

For your information a tentative program for the day is enclosed. We do hope that you will be able to appear on the program during the morning and are suggesting as a topic for your remarks: "Interpretation of Facts Revealed by Survey of Economic Life of Negroes in Texas." The combined findings and results of the

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
February 19, 1935
#2

Conference will be used as a basis of curriculum study for Negroes in Texas which is now getting under way.

We shall be pleased to have your reactions and suggestions.

14-28-15

Very truly yours,

J. B. Cade,
Registrar.

JBC/w

[ENCLOSURES]

Sent to firms employing large numbers of Negroes.

State Department of Education

ECONOMIC STATUS OF NEGROES IN TEXAS

Name_____ Age of Proprietor_____

How many persons do you employ?_____ Negroes_____
Others_____

What is your monthly payroll for Negro laborers?_____

Have you found Negro laborers as satisfactory as the general run of laborers? Check (x) Yes_____ No____.

Give names of positions filled by Negroes in your employ:_____
_____ _____ _____ _____.

How do you rate Negro laborers?
a. In efficiency: good as whites_____; better____; poorer____
b. In regularity: good as whites_____; better____; poorer____
c. In turnover: good as whites_____; better____; poorer____

Are opportunities for promotion open to Negroes?_____

Do white persons object to your firm's employment of Negroes?
Yes_____ No_____.

Kindly give your reactions and observations upon Negro labor:

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State Department of Education

NEGRO WORKERS

Name:_____ Age_____

Sex_____ Married_____ Single_____

Indicate or check thus (x) educational training: college graduate _____; Attended College_____; High School Graduate_____; Attended High School_____; Elementary training_____; Did not attend school_____.

Check conditions upon which you occupy your home: Own_____; buying_____; rent_____.

If own or buying: Value of house, lot, and improvements $_____
If renting: Amount of monthly rent $_____.
Number of rooms_____.

List and give value of other property owned: _____
_____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____

Present occupation:_____ Monthly income $_____

Number of hours per week spent at occupation_____. How long have you been employed in present position?_____.
List other jobs held since 1930 together with dates:_____
_____ _____ _____

Have you had any training for your present position? Check: Yes___ No___. Where was it obtained?_____.
Did you have training for previous positions held? Yes___ No___.

Has your race ever prevented you from securing employment? Yes____ No____. Have you ever been fired because of race? Yes___ No___

Do you belong to a labor union? Yes____ No___. Have you ever attempted to join a labor union? Yes_____ No_____. Is the labor union open for membership to you? Yes____ No_____. If not a member, give reasons for not joining:_____
_____
_____.

What other races work on the job with you?_____
_____ _____ _____

Is your wife employed? Yes_____ No_____. Type of work_____
Monthly income $_____. Number of hours per week _____. Number of other members of family employed_____.
Income for each: $_____ $_____ $_____
$_____ $_____ $_____

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State Department of Education
Negro Workers
#2

Amount income from other sources than your regular occupation:
$_____ $_____ $_____ $_____

List after the following items the amount of money spent for each in the last twelve months: (Estimate if figures are not available)
Light $_____; repairs $_____; fuel $_____
gasoline $_____; food $_____ clothing $_____
automobile $_____; other vehicles $_____
amusements and recreation $_____ books and magazines
_____; education $_____ ; travel $_____;
sickness $_____; death $_____ ; insurance $_____;
other investment $_____.

How much of the above was spent with Negroes?_____.

How much with mail order firms?_____.

How much money did you save in the last twelve months?_____

List amounts and nature of investments for last year:_____
_____ _____
_____ _____

List types and amount of insurance carried:_____
_____ _____
_____ _____

How much of this was carried with Negro companies?_____

What is the amount of your annual premiums paid to Negro companies?
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State Department of Education

RURAL STATUS

Name_____ Age_____

Sex_____ Married_____ Single_____

Indicate or check thus (x) educational training: College graduate___ Attended College___; High school graduate___; Attended high school___; Elementary training___; Did not attend school_____.

Number of children in family_____ Male_____ Female_____.

Number in family who work in field regularly_____.

Upon what condition do you occupy your farm? Check (x): Owner_____; buying_____; renter_____; share cropper_____.

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Total value of farm $_____. Number of acres in farm_____.
Number of acres in cultivation_____
Number of acres in pasture_____
Number of acres in woodland_____
Number of acres lying idle_____
Number of acres in meadows_____

Cost per acre of farm_____

Tell what you did last season to keep land from "running down".

_____
_____
_____

Is there a mortgage on the farm? Yes_____ No_____. What is the size of the mortgage? _____.

How much money did you spend for the following items last season:
Food $_____ Men's Clothing $_____ Livestock Feed $_____
Harness $_____ Farm implements $_____ Buggies $_____
Trucks $_____ Automobiles $_____ Gasoline $_____
Repairs to farm building $_____ Repairs to home $_____
Sickness $_____ Death $_____ Births $_____
Farm papers and magazines $_____ Books $_____
Other papers and magazines $_____ Amusements $_____
Fertilizer $_____ Travel $_____ Education (for self or others) $_____ Medicine $_____ Insurance $_____
Others $_____ $_____ $_____
$_____ $_____ $_____

How much money did you spend with mail order houses last season?
$_____.

Amount of money spent with Negro business $_____.

State Department of Education
Rural Status - #2

List some of the things which you would buy now if you had the available money: _____ _____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____ _____ _____

Check type of livestock listed below owned by you; estimate value:

Mules	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Horses	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Cows	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Oxen	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Swine	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Chickens	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Turkeys	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Guineas	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Geese	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Ducks	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Goats	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Sheep	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
Others:	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____
	_____	Number	_____	Value $_____

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Total estimated value of all livestock $_____.

Check (x) type of farm implements and vehicles listed below which you own: plows____ number____; harrows____ number____; wagons____ number____; buggies____ number____; trucks____ number____; automobile____; cotton gin____; saw mill____; Grist mill____; pea thrasher____; others:_____; _____; _____; _____.

Total value of implements and vehicles $_____

Who finances you until harvest time? Check (x):
Merchant_____ Banker_____ Self_____.

Check the form in which you receive the above: Cash_____ Supplies_____. What rate of interest do you pay?_____.

List securities which you gave last season in order to secure cash or supplies: _____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____

Have you been able to secure any federal loans or aids? Check (x)
Yes_____ No_____. How much? $_____.

Check items listed below which you raised on your farm last season:

State Department of Education
Rural Status - #3

Cotton _____	Number of acres used____	Number of bales____
Corn_____	Number of acres used____	Number of bushels__
Hay_____	Number of acres used____	Number of tons____
Peanuts_____	Number of acres used____	Number of bushesl__
Peas_____	Number of acres used____	Number of bushels__
Rice_____	Number of acres used____	Number of bushels__
Cane Syrup_____	Number of acres used____	Number of gallons__
Sorghum_____	Number of acres used____	Number of gallons__
Foodstuffs (Garden)_	Number of acres used____	Amount_____
Kinds produced		Amount
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
Wheat_____	Number of acres used____	Number of bushels__
Oats_____	Number of acres used____	Number of bushels__
Barley_____	Number of acres used____	Number of bushels__
Rye_____	Number of acres used____	Number of bushels__

Do you employ labor other than your family? Yes_____ No_____.
Check basis upon which labor is employed: Regularly_____
Part time_____ Seasonal_____. At what season of year is most help employed?_____. What was the expense of such extra labor last season? $_____.

List race of persons other than Negroes employed:_____,
_____ _____ _____.

State reasons for employing particular race or races listed above:
_____
_____
_____

Estimate total value of your family's labor for last season. $_____.

List months of the year in which you give all time to farm work:
_____ _____ _____ _____ _____

List months of the year in which you give practically no time to farm work: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____.

List months of the year in which you give part (but little) time to farm work:_____ _____ _____ _____ _____.

List sources and amounts of income other than from farming: _____ $_____; _____ $_____; _____ $_____

Do you carry insurance? Yes_____ No_____. Check kind: Life_____ Sick and accident_____, Endowment_____. Amount of yearly premiums $_____. Amount of insurance carried with Negro Companies $_____. Yearly premiums paid to Negro Companies _____.

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State Department of Education

NEGRO BUSINESS

Name_____ Age of Proprietor_____

Indicate or check thus (x) educational training: College graduate___ Attended college_____; High School graduate____; Attended high school_____; Elementary training_____; did not attend school _____.

Name of business_____ Date established_____

Tenure of business: Owned_____; buying_____; leasing_____; renting_____.

Estimated annual volume of business $_____.

Approximately what percent of your business is done with Negroes_____.

Give number of persons employed_____.

To what race do persons whom you employ belong?_____.

Estimate value of unpaid family help_____.

Check method of paying bills: Cash_____; Check_____; No definite system_____; Others_____ _____ _____ _____.

List business literature which you read:_____ _____ _____ _____.

How do you advertise your business?_____ _____.

Do you keep a daily record? Check: Yes_____; No_____.

How often are inventories made?_____. Other checks_____.

Itemize amount of monthly expenses: Rent $_____; Light $_____ Fuel $_____; Advertising $_____; Postage and Stationary $_____; Repairs $_____; Other expenses $_____ $_____ $_____ $_____.
(If figures are not available, kindly estimate expenses above.)

Name two of your serious difficulties: (1)_____ (2)_____.

List on back of sheet suggestions for remedies for difficulties:

_____

_____

Do you ever have a certified public accountant check your business?___ Give name_____.

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Name of High School_____

Name of Principal_____

City or Town_____

Please furnish information requested below regarding your graduates for years 1932-33 and 1933-34, and return at once to-

Professor D. B. Taylor
State Department of Education
Austin, Texas

14-22

GRADUATES FOR 1932-33

Number of Graduates_____Male_____Female_____Total_____

Number of Graduates attending Colleges_____Male____Female____Total____

Number attending Colleges in Texas_____Male____Female____Total_____

Number not attending Colleges now_____Male_____Female_____Total_____

GRADUATES FOR 1933-34

Number of Graduates for the Year_____Male_____Female_____Total____

Number of Graduates attending Colleges_____Male____Female____Total____

Number attending Colleges in Texas_____Male_____Female_____ Total_____

Number not attending Colleges now_____ Male_____Female_____Total_____

- PROGRAM -

Subject: THE ECONOMIC STATUS OF THE NEGRO IN TEXAS
Mr. L. A. Woods, State Superintendent of
Public Instruction, Presiding

14-28-16

Morning Session

1. Music by the College Chorus
2. Purpose of Conference
3. What is Right With Negro Business in Texas
4. Possibilities of Improving Negro Business Through Better Business Methods
5. How May Negro High Schools Improve Negro Business Through Proper Emphasis on Vocational Guidance
6. Facts Revealed Through Survey of Economic Life of Negroes in Certain Selected Centers of Texas
7. Problems of Negro Business as I have Observed Them With Suggested Remedies For These Problems
8. How May the Negro Colleges of Texas Help the Economic Conditions of Negroes in Texas

Afternoon Session

9. Music by the College Chorus
10. Introduction of Visitors
11. The Present Status of the Negro Farmer in Texas
12. The Relationship of Vocational Agriculture to the Improvement of the Negro Farmers in Texas
13. Possible Improvement of the Economic Status of Negroes in Texas Through the Offering of Courses in Trades and Industries in Negro Schools
14. How the County Demonstration Agents are Helping Improve the Economic Status of Negro Farmers
15. How the Agricultural Extension Work is Helping the Negro Farmer
16. Miscellaneous:
    1. Ways by which Negro Business May be Improved
    2. Ways of Improving the Economic Status of Negroes as View by a Public School Official
    3. What the Negro State Teachers' Association May Do to Improve the Economic Status of the Negro
    4. Ways by Which Better Interracial Understanding May Promote Improvement of Economic Conditions of Negro People in Texas

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 28, 1935

Mr. J. B. Cade
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

My dear Mr. Cade:

I have your questionnaires. I very much doubt if questionnaires as detailed as this, and calling for accurate statistical matter, can be successfully collected, except, of course, in the case of large employers and high school graduates. The others can only be successfully filled out in comparatively small areas, intensively worked by individual investigators after repeated visits. Since, however, the questionnaires have gone out there is nothing to be done at present. There ought to have been a query of high school principals asking a careful estimate on their part on the present occupation of all their graduates.

As a further matter of investigation, I am suggesting that Mr. Banks send out a form of letter asking opinions and designed to go out to intelligent observers all over Texas. You might ask him for a copy of my suggestion. I am planning to be in Texas the last two weeks of March, and shall be glad to take such part in the conference as you may think is valuable.

I have also suggested to Mr. Banks that effort be made to collect the history of the Negro in Texas as a background for the statistical study in this and following years.

Would you kindly make out bibliography of all books touching on this history and see if they can not be in the library by the time I get there. Also, if there are any manuscript sources that ought to be collected.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 13, 1935

43-2-42

Mrs. Virginia Banks
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

My dear Virginia:

As you know, I am arriving Tuesday night, the 19th, but I am writing to say that before I come back I want to see San Antonio. Could we not get up a party and make an excursion to San Antonio, starting Saturday, the 30th, and getting back Monday, the 1st. See if you can't arrange it. I should think it would be a very lovely experience.

I hope this will find you well.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 3, 1935

14-2-43

Principal and Mrs. W. R. Banks
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Banks:

I want to thank you very much for the extraordinarily interesting and pleasant time that I had in Texas. I learned a great deal, not only concerning Texas and the Negro in it, and the running of a school, but also in the formulation of my own thought and conclusions, and especially I had a lovely time eating and sleeping.

Thank you so much for this opportunity.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
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April 3, 1935

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Evans
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Evans:

I want to thank you very much for your hospitality while I was in Prairie View. It was a most enjoyable visit. Your family is interesting, not even excepting the head.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[PRAIRIE VIEW]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 3, 1935

14-28-10

Miss E. C. May
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

My dear Miss May:

I enjoyed the breakfast which you so kindly arranged for me, and want to thank you for making my stay in Prairie View pleasant.

Very sincerely yours

W. E.B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

(PRAIRIE VIEW)

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 3, 1935

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Waller
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Waller:

Thank you so much for your hospitality while I was in Prairie View. I had a most enjoyable time.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL
COLLEGE
PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

DIVISION OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

April 4, 1935

Dr. W. E. D. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

14-28-11

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Enclosed herewith you will find copy of letter received by our Librarian from the Library of Congress, together with Memorandum of Bibliography on the history of Negro life in Texas.

I wish to take this opportunity of again saying to you how much your presence and direction meant to the Conference which was held last Friday, March 29.

Very truly yours,

J. B. Cade,
Registrar

JBC:MJR

[PRAIRIE VIEW]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 5, 1935

Mr. W. R. Banks
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Banks:

Elizabeth and I were trying to plan a supper but we have given you up. I'm going off at mid-night and returning Monday morning. If I do not see you, let me express again my great pleasure at the two weeks I had at Prairie View.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 8, 1935

Mr. J. B. Cade
Registrar
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL
AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

14-28-12

My dear Mr. Cade:

Thank you very much for the bibliography which you sent, and for your kind words. I assure you I greatly enjoyed the stay at Prairie View.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[Prairie View]

April 15, 1935

President John Hope
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear President Hope:

14-14-24

Through your fine spirit of co-operation, Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois spent two weeks in March helping us to arrange for our Sixth Conference on Education of Negroes in Texas. We cannot value the very splendid services Dr. Du Bois rendered Texas, and, particularly, Prairie View on this occasion. We had the largest attendance in the history of the Conference, and, this was due to the interest that the Public School Officials in Texas have manifested in this movement from its beginning. The address of Dr. Du Bois before this large audience on the, "Economic Status of Negroes in Texas", still is the talk and discussion of the State. I wish to assure you that Atlanta University has not done a more important piece of work, this year, than the contribution that she made in the Sixth Educational Conference at Prairie View. I want to take this occasion to thankyou for this co-operation.

In passing, I might state that Fisk University has asked Prairie View to join hands with her in a Nation- ide study of this character, and, I am passing this information to you, in advance, because whatever machinery we have for such Conferences, we want to put them at the disposal of Atlanta University. If Atlanta University is not going to undertake such an important activity in the near future, I should like to know so that I will know just what reply to give the Fisk people. We are perfectly willing to put at the disposal of Atlanta University our machinery for gathering information of the types needed for Conference study.

I should be pleased to have your re-action to this just as soon as it is convenient for you.

I am

Yours truly,

W. R. Banks
Principal

WRB:W

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL
COLLEGE

PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

May 16, 1935

14-24-43

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

As you were leaving Prairie View, you reminded me to write you during the month of May regarding article of yours which is to appear in the Report of the Educational Conference at Prairie View.

We plan to go to press some time in June or July and would appreciate your contribution by the first of June.

I am

Very truly yours,

J. B. Cade,
Registrar.

JBC/w

14-24-44

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 31, 1935

Mr. J. B. Cade
PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

My dear Mr. Cade:

Enclosed is my report. It is not in the shape that I should like to have it, but if I wait to re-copy it, I am afraid I shall not get it to you until fall. I am, therefore, sending this copy and if it is not too much trouble, I wish you would send me a copy of the proof to: 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, New York, for my correction.

My best regards to you, Mr. Banks and other friends.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE

PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

June 5, 1935

14-24-45

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of the Educational Conference report found by you on the date of May 5, 1935. A copy of the proof will be mailed to your New York address as requested.

Thank you for your contribution.

Very truly yours,

J. B. Cade
Registrar

JBC:LS

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 7, 1935

Miss Elizabeth Prophet
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-28-9

My dear Miss Prophet:

I was going to Fort Valley this week end, but I have got to make two addresses on Sunday, which makes it impossible. However, I have promised Mr. Horne to come down Monday afternoon and speak for them Tuesday, and get back here Wednesday morning by 11 o'clock. I am telling him that I'm going to invite you to go. Remember, that Tuesday, Lincoln's Birthday, is a holiday.

Let me know if you can and will go.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 14, 1935

Mrs. Elizabeth Prophet
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Elizabeth:

I am leaving Saturday morning for Chicago and vicinity for a series of lectures. I shall be back again the 25. Let us hope that the weather shall have cleared by that time, although it doesn't look so now.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 9, 1935

14-28-1

Miss Elizabeth Prophet
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Miss Prophet:

Mrs. Shivery and Mrs. Thomas are inviting you, Mr. Braithwaite and myself to breakfast tomorrow morning at 11:00 o'clock. Let me know if you can come?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 16, 1935

14-28-2

Miss Elizabeth Prophet
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Elizabeth:

I am off today for two weeks in Texas. I shall drop you a note from there, and hope you will have pleasant work while I am gone.

Mrs. Du Bois writes me this morning: "What has become of Miss Prophet? I hear nothing of her from either of you." Please write her.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 4, 1935

Miss Elizabeth Prophet
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Elizabeth:

As I said to you, I am going to speak in Macon Friday, April 12, and then going to Fort Valley for the week end. I should very much like to have you come. We could leave here right after lunch Friday, go to Macon, and then go on to Fort Valley for Saturday and Sunday, and get back in time for classes Monday. I hope you can go.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 22, 1935

Miss Elizabeth Prophet
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
Atlanta, Georgia

4-28-3

My dear Miss Prophet:

I have just returned from a trip to Washington whence I rushed up to New York and had 3 days with the family. They are all well and the baby is growing and talking.

Mrs. Du Bois sent her best love to you and says that our home is always open whenever you want to visit. We are not going to move this summer, so that there will be no difficulty on that account.

On the other hand, I am afraid I will not be able to take you North. Since we talked it over, I have had 2 other invitations to make Commencement addresses with pay, so that I shall be from the 5th to the 14th getting to New York in roundabout ways and stopping in 3 or 4 different places. I know this will not be pleasant or convenient for you.

I am sorry, but shall hope to see you in our home in New York.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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[E PROPHET]

Miss Prophet

14-28-5

This is to certify that the bronze bust on the marble pedestal which is in my office, 210 Administration Building, Atlanta University, is the property of Miss Elizabeth Prophet and should be delivered to her at any time on demand.

December 10, 1935

The QUARTERLY REVIEW *of* HIGHER EDUCATION AMONG NEGROES

JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY,
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EDITORIAL OFFICES

December 16, 1935

14-24-42

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

On behalf of the Editorial Board of the Quarterly Review of Higher Education Among Negroes I am extending to you an invitation to become a contributing editor. We have no regulations defining the responsibility and duties of contributing editors. We would appreciate, however, (1) an article whenever you feel that you have one worthwhile to contribute, (2) any suggestions from time to time that you may see fit to offer concerning the magazine, (3) calling our attention to any books, articles, or material that will be of interest to workers in Negro colleges. Please let me know by return mail if you can accept the invitation.

With best wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am

Very truly yours,

T. E. McKinney
Managing Editor

TEM:WM

14-17-19

November 22, 1935

Mr. Henry Lee Moon
c/o Race Magazine
20 Vesey Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Moon:

I should like very much to have the facts concerning the recent strike on the Amsterdam News and to know exactly what the occasion was, what wages the men were getting, how their wages compared with the union rate, just what union they were members of, and how many lost their jobs and under what circumstances? Has the union attempted to place these men in any other jobs?

I should be obliged for any information you can give me.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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14-26-24

13 November 1935.

Dear Dr. DuBois,

I have only just received your letter of September 10, forwarded from Chicago. In reply I wish to say that if it is decided that it is possible to proceed with the plan for the Encyclopaedia I shall be very glad to cooperate by writing, and arranging for others to write, articles on the Negro peoples of Africa. With regard to the question of what articles of this kind should be included I think that this should be the subject of a very careful examination and discussion. In the first instance I would like to have an expression of opinion from you and the other officers, or from the Board of Directors as to the scope of the articles on Africa that should be included.

I am afraid that I cannot give the whole matter the serious consideration it deserves until my return to Chicago at the end of March.

Yours sincerely

A.R. Radcliffe-Brown

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
SCHOOL OF JURISPRUDENCE
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

October 14, 1935

BOALT HALL OF LAW

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-26-37

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I shall be very glad indeed to do whatever is possible for the undertaking you have in mind. It seems to me that it is an admirable thing and will be, quite outside of its social effect, a contribution of first-rate value.

My only concern is that my own studies have not been in that direction at all and that the only service that I could render would be articles of a rather general nature. I have thought a great deal about racial problems and specifically of those presented by the presence of negroes in the United States--and in Africa for that matter--but I cannot say that I have any qualifications that hundreds of well-meaning men to not possess.

I have been wondering whether you have not confused me with my brother. Dr. Paul Radin, who formerly taught at Fisk University and who is an anthropologist of note. If that should be the case, I might say that he can be reached c/o Department of Anthropology of the University of California, although he is not officially connected with the Department.

This does not in any way whatever qualify my complete willingness to be of whatever service I can to the Committee in charge of the Encyclopaedia.

Very sincerely yours,

Max Radin

MR:A

X Max Radin

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Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

December 6, 1935

Professor M. G. Randall
Prairie View Normal College
Prairie View, Texas

My dear Mr. Randall:

About three years ago, a number of persons representing institutions of learning and other organizations, met in Washington and laid tentative plans for publishing an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I am enclosing an abstract from the memorandum which these persons adopted showing in general the plan which they had in mind. The industrial depression naturally halted their plans, but it seems now that the time is ripe for trying to carry this project through. We have not as yet secured the sum necessary for the financing of the Encyclopaedia, but we think that the prospects are good.

I have, therefore, been asked by the Board of Directors to correspond with a number of persons whose interests we want to enlist and to ask for their co-operation.

First, I should be glad to know if you agree with us that the time has come when some authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro race in the form of an Encyclopaedia is in demand; and secondly, I want to ask if you would be willing to contribute a short article or articles on some subject to be decided upon later which could be published in the Encyclopaedia. I would be glad if you would suggest the subjects in which you are interested and which you think would be needed in this publication. All the contributors would, of course, be paid at the usual rates.

All this is tentative and no final and definite plans have yet been adopted, but in this preliminary survey, I hope very much I can be assured of your interest and willingness to co-operate in the way in which I have indicated.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. Du Bois

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

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November 8, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Encyclopaedia of the Negro
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Thanks awfully for your letter of the 10th of September with the enclosure relating to the development of an encyclopaedia of the Negro.

Relative to your inquiry about whether I think such an encyclopaedia is timely, and if I am disposed to write an article for it, may I say that I think there is a demand for such an authoritative work on the Negro covering the subject rather exhaustively as indicated in the memorandum.

On the matter of my doing an article for the encyclopaedia, I might add that I will be pleased to undertake such a task providing it will not be required within six months or a year, since I am now in the midst of an effort to write an agreement with the Pullman Company for the porters and maids, which is a matter of extensive and intricate details.

I should be glad to suggest the exact subject which I would be inclined to write on some time later, but it would fall in the category of Negro labor.

With cordial good wishes and assurances of my sincere good wishes that your effort will be crowned with deserving success, I am

Very sincerely yours,

A. Philip Randolph
National President

APR/de

November 19, 1935

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Ever since I began reading BLACK RECONSTRUCTION I have wanted to tell you - as I tried so many times while you were here to tell you about others of your works - in how excellent a style the book is done. I mean by this that you have written a history that can be easily read - a history that is not a text book in the usual sense of the word. I have read three hundred and fifty pages so far and find myself always eager to get back to it just as if it were a novel.

I am learning more from your book about what happened during the days of Reconstruction than I ever did before. My mind is already made up to read some of the many books you have used just as soon as I have finished this. (I mean those mentioned in your footnotes)

I don't need to tell you how proud I am to have BLACK RECONSTRUCTION in my library.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Richette G. Randolph

14-25-69

November 20, 1935

Miss Richetta G. Randolph
N. A. A. C. P.
69 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

14-25-70

My dear Miss Randolph:

Thank you for your kind words concerning my book. I am glad you are enjoying it.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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July 2, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

For want of a better address, I am mailing this letter to you at Atlanta University. I read last week, your article in the June issue of Current History, with much interest and profit. I have read many reviews of your most recent book. I hope to obtain a copy for myself and some copies for the library here at Wilberforce University.

The special object of this letter is to ask, and if possible gain, a favor from you. I have written a little book which is soon to be brought out by a Boston Publisher. The title of the book is "The Negro, the Hope or Dispair of Christianity." In it I try to show how unchristian American Christianity is. I quote from your writings several times in the little volume.

By way of introduction I want you to write a few paragraphs and be entirely free to disagree with my opinions as emphatically as you desire, and to comment on the subject matter without regard to the beliefs and attitudes commonly held.

If you will kindly consent to lend a hand in this matter, I shall send you proof sheets which will of course, give you all the matter necessary upon which to base your comments. Please kindly oblige.

Your long time admirer and friend,

Reverdy C Ransom

Reverdy C Ransom

RCR/LVH

14-11-41

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 15th, 1935

14-11-42

Bishop R. C. Ransom
Wilberforce
Ohio

My dear Bishop Ransom:

I shall be glad to see the proof sheets of your book and to say any word that I can.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

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WILBERFORCE, OHIO

Aug. 12th 1935

14-11-43

Dear Mr. Du Bois: I am very grateful to you for your assurances that you would write introduction to my little book. I am, mailing, under sperate Cover, proof sheets and also my Preface.
Please feel free to write your opinion in regard to this matter. It will facilitate publication if I may receive your matter at an early date -

Faithfully yours

Reverdy C Ransom

Enclosed
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Room 204
200 West 135 Street
New York, New York

August 29 1935

Bishop R. C. Ransom
Wilberforce, Ohio

My dear Bishop Ransom:

Enclosed is the proof that you sent me and a very short word of introduction which I hope may be satisfactory.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

44-11-41

37-10-64

A WORD

In 1904, Bishop Ransom spoke at Harper's Ferry on John Brown. It was the second meeting of the Niagara Movement and that speech more than any single event stirred the great meeting. It led through its inspiration and eloquence to the eventual founding of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and 25 years of work for Negro equality and freedom. In memory of this service and in gratitude to Reverdy Ransom, I am glad to write this little word of introduction to his book on the Negro and christianity. I have little faith that christianity can settle the race problem, but I have abiding faith in men.

W. E. B. Du Bois

August 29, 1935

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Sept. 3, 1935

54-11-41

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
200 West 135th Street
Room 204
New York, New York

My dear Dr. Du Bois

I thank you for your "Word" so kindly sent to assist in speeding my little book on its way. I shall send you copy as soon as same comes from the press. With high appreciation, I am

Faithfully yours,

Reverdy C. Ransom

RCR:LVH

Prof. W.E. Burghardt Du Bois

~~Prof. Burghardt Du Bois~~

FRED. W. REED
ATTORNEY AT LAW
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

69 – 5th Ave. Newark

Sept 9th 1935

Martin Goldman Sch Bldg

Dear Prof. My excuse for sending you this enclosed was partly because I knew of your ~~vital~~ interest to employ their time to do work the colored race and partly because I received in one of your books loaned me by Mr Wm Morris you had written to him an autograph note which seem to point you out as a friend of his. I was also a friend of Mr Morris and had my law office only a few doors from him for some years before his unfortunate death and knew him very well and respected him greatly. He belonged to the Dane Church as myself. We have yearly a meeting of the full bench of the Judges of the district Court before which there are recital memorials of all the lawyers that lived in this county and died during the previous year. At such meeting I take it upon

14-22-41

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supply to make a little speech
an eulogy of our Morris, in which I
called attention to the unfortunate
treatment of his race at the hands of our
Country and to his treatment in part also
at the hands of the American Bar Association
he joined this A.B.A. without; I suppose,
disclosing his race. When at this Boston
meeting they discovered his race they
either threw him out or made it so bad
for him that was compelled to [illegible] act.
14-22-68
many years ago I also taught the
Colored folks for a year in Missouri a
man whom a Christian Jewish lady
said she would rather be seen with a
horse thief than with me simply because
of such Connection with that School. I was
also a classmate at Grinnell of Prescott
Woodworth formerly at Saugatuck.
The wife of Pres. Dr Forest was also a friend
of mine. This race question is our great
question what the U.S. does not [illegible] to be
solving unless it can be said to be done so
by Hampton and Tuskegee et al.

Respectfully

Fred W. Reed

Fred. W. Reed
ATTORNEY AT LAW
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

If I do not hear your name
again correct I am under
the impression that
Judge

Attorney at Law
Minneapolis Minn

October 8, 1935

Mr. Fred W. Reed
Metropolitan Life Building
Minneapolis, Minnesota

4-22-66

My dear Mr. Reed:

I appreciate your kind words and the clipping which you sent me. I am glad to know of your friendship with Mr. Morris, who was a good friend of mine.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

BOX 544,

NASSAU, N. P.,

BAHAMAS.

15th October, 1935.

29-81-41

Dr, W. E. B. Dubois,

Atlanta University,

Atlanta, Ga., U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Dubois,

Sincerely hoping that you are well, just a line to say I am extremely happy to know, and at the same time surprised to hear that you are now at Atlanta University in the School of Sociology. I daresay you remember me as Mr. C. H. Reeves of Nassau, N. P., Bahamas, who for quite a number of years was local representative for the "Crisis" Magazine. My last chat with you was in 1930 at your New York Office (70, 5th Avenue) while on my vacation in New York, and did not know until recently where to locate you. I am, however, happy to know your present address. I am now forwarding you under separate cover a "Nassau" Magazine one of our latest publications which I hope might interest you a bit.

To Nassau news, I am sure you will be happy to hear that your old friend Miss Mary Moseley, the Editor of the "Nassau Guardian," is still alive. Will send you a file of "Guardian" also.

To Atlanta University, I am pleased to say that I have had the great privilege of meeting Dr. John Hope, President. I can assure you, it was a real source of inspiration as well as pleasure to have met such a highly cultured and amicable gentleman of our group. It might interest you to know that through Dr. Hope's assitance I have been able to place my eldest daughter at Spelman College. I would really like for you to meet her sometime at your convenience, and anything that you may be able to do for me in the way of giving her a kind word of advice from time to time, will I assure you be very highly appreciated.

With best wiehes for you in your work at Atlanta,

I am, very truly yours,

Clerisau H. Reeves.

[REID]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA
February 26, 1935

Dr. DuBois:

The Book -Of -The-Year Club is not a bad idea, but I am wondering how it can operate quickly enough to make it effective for "Black Reconstruction" .

15-12-65

It seems to me that the organization might promote such an idea as that of offering to the reading public of Negro life any three volumes of Negro work published during the year at a cost of ten per cent less than the list price of each book.(If the per centum is too high, it can be readjusted). By pooling or "clubbing " the offer both the purchaser and the club makes a profit - say nothing of the publisher. Such a plan would not only encourage writers, it seems, but publishers as well. It might also encourage the reprinting of some volumes now out-of-print , and assist in theunloading of some surplus stock.

15-12-66

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Under this plan we could secure from publishers a list of the volumes they contemplate during the year- and announce these to the public. Though I know nothing about the game, it seems that some of these reprint publishers might be willing to back our scheme if we would promote the books they reprint, permitting the promotion of new volumes at the same time.

If it is to be done, I think it should be on a basis that might last. The jury would be a small group- the sponsors ,the larger group of fifteen that you mention. If the jury is to be all-colored the names might be chosen from the following: (you could not be on the first one)

Carter Woodson	Benjamin Brawley
Alain Locke	James W. Johnson
W.S. Braithwaite	Walter White

15-12-67

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Elmer Carter	Jessie Fauset
Sterling Brown	Charles Johnson
Abram Harris	Mordecai Johnson

On the sponsors list I should use the names of all who "sway". R.R. Moton etc.etc.,etc.

The total cost of promotion might be met by an initial investment of ten dollars per sponsor. It would not be abad investment in "race realtions" -even if it failed .

If you would like to have some cooperation in covering the initial expense of getting it started, I should be glad to share. Who knows butthat I may have a book coming out some day ? And if you folk who have a name face such difficulties, what in the world can light-cavalry do ?

Yours truly,
W. E. B. Du Bois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 30, 1935

TO : Dr. DuBois

From: Ira De A. Reid

Your letter to Streator rings with conviction. He musthave said some very rash things in his two letters.

This memorandum , however, is to discuss the seventh edition of the Atlanta Creed. Several things have occurredto me in connection with both its form and content. I have tried to think of it in the light of what I should subscribe to, and how it would strike me most effectively.

1. I believe that BANC is a much more appropriate naming for the creed than anything else you have called it.

2. I would eliminate the lengthy foreword and encouch whatever is necessary as a plaint in a few gripping and emphatic sentences. This preamble, I think, should avoid anything that would need interpretaion. Items i,2,and 3 of the current foreword , to which might be added another concluding paragraph reflect fully what I conceive the purpose of the statement to be. The remaining items should be made a part of BANC . In so doing I would combine 4,5, and 6 into a trenchant statement . Paragraph 7 I would clarify. What is the exact relationship between "our own masses", "the whole group" and "our working class" ?

3. I fear the inference of paragraph 8, particularly that part which refers to "the darker races of men". Do you not introduce one of the sore points in any program when you introduce this idea of international racial solidarity? Would it not be better to have that evolve from a creed, after the group has achieved the first step ?

4. BANC is the most convincing part of the plan. Yet it has no direct reference to the broad cooperative economic action proposed in the foreword. I think it should be inserted.

5. In section "B" I think the wording should be changed from "we would avoid" to something like "We repudiate" etc

6. Should not the Talented Tenth,"trained to think and do" , do more than "determine"? Should not this paragraph end with something of action.

7. I simply suffer an aesthetic revulsion to the combination Employment,Education and Art. Employment, Education and Culture, strikes me as much better, but is not yet satisfactory. Furthermore one doesn't plan ones Art, does one ?

8. Paragraph "F", particularly the last sentence is not consistent with the economic philosphy you have advocated previously. Why restrict the avenues of poverty-abolition to reason, sacrifice and the ballot? Is not the economic program in which you believe and which you advocate something more than reason and sacrifice? Is it not a dynamic that can be put into the hands of youth ? One that should be included in this powerful statement ?

And in the last line, instead of saying that we will not join or abet such

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movements, why not state what we will join- the movements that will do so and sso are the movements that will receive our support ?

9. Item 7 of the summary I would make a part of the creed.

10. Items 1-6 of the summary I would state in fewer words , ending the summary with paragraph 9

And finally, am I too sensitive about the expression "and for the Life Complete and Beautiful, in a world of Peace for all men" ? I would let that rest until we had achieved the more basic things presented. And why couldn't that sentence end with "accomplishments" ?

Thank you for permitting this outlandish type of criticism.

Fredrick Reid

14-30-65

MEMORANDUM TO: MR. REID
FROM: DR. DU BOIS

May 7, 1935

Where can I find the best short statement concerning the present strength of the shop union and vertical union in the ranks of organized labor and the present size of left-wing unionism?

14-13-5

My criticism of union labor has been challenged because I am speaking chiefly of the A.F. of L. and craft unions. I want, therefore, to see how far the union movement has been effected by more liberal unionism.

WEBD/DW

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. DuBois

From: Ira De A. Reid

You may be interested in the attached letter.

14-13-6

May 23, 1935
Enclosure

[ENC]

May 23, 1935

Mr. J. Max Bond
Office C - 15
Wilson Dam, Alabama

14-13-7

Dear Mr. Bond:

I shall do my best to get in to see the Wilson Dam in the very near future. Just now we are preparing for examinations, but if I can ease in three days between May 27 and June 3, I shall do so. If not, it will be between June 12 and July 24.

Sincerely yours

Ira De A. Reid

IDeAR:b
Copy to Dr. DuBois

405 Edgecombe Ave.
New York City
August 9, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I could be quite happy over your pleasant vacation if I did not get very restless after reading about it . That restlessness makes it frightfully difficult to get any work done .

It occured to me that you might be interested in an idea I had about the encyclopedia. As you know the Federal Government is promoting work for writers- fiction-sociology-history-economics etc. I think an adequately sponsored project on the encyclopedia presented to the Works Progress Administration would receive favorable consideration . Appropriations could be made for one year, but in that time it should be possible to get much of the ground work done. This is one of the things I wanted to talk over with you .

I am going out to Ohio to find my wife on the sixteenth and will not return until the latter part of the following week . I shall telephone you then . Meanwhile rest well, for if I remember correctly you have planned an extensive program for the coming year.

Sincerely,

Pres B A Bond

14-13-10

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Dr. DuBois (CPCD) Encyclopaedia

I presented this data for a history review to Mr. Reed Harris, Assistant Director of the Federal Writers' Project of the WPA. He was tremendously interested and took it up with Mr. Flaherty, the Director. Mr. F. did not have time to go into it thoroughly but expressed the opinion that it is the "most likely" project that has come to his attention.

12-28-71

It seems that this division has received money to do only four things, of which the Encyclopedia is not one. But both Mr. F. and Mr. R. are willing to go forward with it and request money if further study confirms their initial views.

I brought the materials back because I knew them to be originals. However, Mr. F. wishes to go into it more carefully. I suggested in your behalf that you would send him copies. My suggestion

how is that —

copies of the important documents re/ the Encyclopedia be prepared and sent to.

Mr. Henry G. Alsberg
Director, Federal Writers' Project
Works Progress Administration
Auditorium
Washington, D.C.

14-28-72

Your accompanying letter might state that this is the material I discussed with Mr. Reed Harris, his assistant, on Sept 11th. ~~You might suggest that upon~~

you might request his opinion on requesting federal monies to get some of the preliminary work out of the way — to employ from twenty-five to one hundred persons (do not emphasize the clerical aspect; these people should be classed as research aides, or something of that sort —) for a period of one

year, at the centers we mentioned.

Your letter might state, also, that if a formal project application should be made, that my assistance and experience is available for its construction.

12-28-73

Frankly, the reception accorded the project was very cordial. I think it is one of the most plausible things the FWP has seen, and the men are ready to do something about it, if they can. Of course, they do not have the final say-so, but the character of the first step is important.

I may be reached at home — Edgecombe 4-4049 — for the remainder of the week.

Sept 12 '35
9:15 Am.

— J.H.K. —

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14-31-04

Mr. Ira de A. Reid
Atlanta University - Box 152
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Ira:

I was in Washington over the week-end looking for you, and from your wire to me at my home, I see that you were in New York looking for me.

I was not able to learn anything definite about the proposed Historical Project while I was in Washington. If there is any information at all which you feel I should have, let me have it at once, and I will proceed to carry out whatever instructions you may place before me. Is this project under the national direction of Dr. Sidney Ryan Fox, President of Union College at Schenectady? If it is, I have before me a matter about which I shall write this week.

I shall expect to hear from you immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Deaver P. Young
Liaison Officer

Alston Ryan Fox

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October 6, 1935

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Atlanta University - Box 152
Atlanta, Georgia

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
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October 16, 1935.

14-21-35

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I shall be glad to cooperate in the development of the ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF THE NEGRO.

I am afraid to suggest any particular subjects, but am quite willing to place myself at your disposal for whatever work you think that I can do.

Sincerely yours,

Ira De A. Reid

s Ira De A. Reid.

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October 23, 1935

14-26-58

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. DuBois:

It seems to me that an Encyclopaedia of the Negro people would be very worth while undertaking and that it would serve a very useful purpose. It must be done in a calm and scholarly way that will command the respect of the critically competent.

I will be glad to contribute if in the opinion of the editorial board there are any subjects to be treated that fall in the field of my competence. I assume that one of the early editorial tasks will be to draw up the list of subjects on which articles are to be prepared, and decide the space to be given to each subject. When this is done, I will be glad to indicate such of the subjects as I would be willing to undertake to treat.

Sincerely yours,

E. B. Reuter

E B REUTER

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-18-72

April 30, 1935

Mr. E. S. Richardson
Marshallville, Georgia

My dear Mr. Richardson:

A friend of mine is asking information about spending a few weeks this summer in the Virgin Islands. Will you tell me:

1. How would the climate be in the Virgin Islands in July or August, especially with regard to heat and rain?

2. What would be a good hotel or boarding place and what would be the rates?

3. In the present turmoil will it be a place for rest or opposite?

I shall appreciate any information you can give me.

My best regards to you and Mrs. Richardson.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

MARSHALLVILLE GEORGIA

May 6,1935

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr.Dubois:-

Referring to your letter of April 30, I am giving you the following information:

The climate in the Virgin Islands during August and July is warm, but not oppressive. There is an ocean breeze each evening which modifies the temperature.

July and August are included in the hurricane months and showers are more or less frequent.

These are the following hotels in St. Thomas: The Grand Hotel, which is the best appointed, Bernis Hotel, which has the reputation for serving good food, Hotel 1829 which is fairly comfortable, but with no modern improvements. Then there is the much talked of "Blue Beard's Castle" which is operated by the Insular Government.

The Grand, Bernis Hotel and 1829 will charge what the traffic will bear. If your friend happens to be white His Excellency, the Governor will doubtless pay him to live at Blue Beard's Castle, for the advertising.

I wouldn't pay too much attention to the "turmoil" in the Islands. I am quite sure the American papers are taking the whole thing a little too seriously. If your friend has a sense of humor the situation will be highly entertaining. Private letters from leaders of both sides, do not convey the same impressions as newspaper reports. The whole controversy is kept going by about a half dozen white men who are fighting for place. Later I am going to try to write you concerning the situation as it was and as I know it from private letters.

If you wish I will write to a friend in St. Thomas and see what he can do about getting or securing for you a quiet, comfortable place with reasonable rates.

The delay in answering your letter is due to the fact that I work in Macon and spend the week-ends in Marshallville.

Very truly yours,

Edward S. Richardson

ESR:FMC.

Edward S. Richardson.

14-18-23

14-1-31

560 Broad Street,
Macon, Georgia,
June 6, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Attached you will find a letter from Alton Adams, retired Bandmaster of the U. S. Navy. You will get an idea of the prevailing hotel rates from his letter. You will also get some idea of attitude which the natives themselves take towards colored people in general when it is understood that three fourths of the Island and all of the hotels with the exception of Blue Beards Castle are owned by colored men. The natives no matter how black, think white - any injustices which they suffer in the Virgin Islands are of their own making - they own the Island and control the colonial legislature, but are helpless because of their inferiority complex towards about three per cent of Mulatoes whose attitude towards them is worse than that of any Mississippi white.

Verty truly yours,

Edward Richardson.

Edward S. Richardson

ESR/BW

[ENCLOSURE]

ALTON A. ADAMS
BANDMASTER
U. S. FLEET NAVAL RESERVE

June 1, 1935

14-1-30

My dear Richardson:

I wanted to write you a longer and better letter, but I have found myself in a jam for time, so will send you this in place. I was certainly glad to hear from you and to know that you are still on the firing line and that Mrs. Richardson is well. You did not say anything about Bill, but I presume that he must be alright.

Concerning what you asked about hotel rates. You know what the hotel stands for so it is not necessary to say anything about that. I spoke to Berys Cancryn who is in charge of the Grand Hotel and he gave me the following rates:

$3.50 to 4.00 a day with meals.

$21.00 to 24.00 a week with meals

75.00 to 80.00 a month with meals.

Of course Blue Beard Castle Hotel is not to be thought of as a place for colored folks. Ralph Matthew who came down here recently with the Investigating Committee from Washington, as representing the Afro-American for got in his recital of experiences to mention how he was treated there by one of the investigating gentlemen from the South. He finally sought asylum in Anduze's home, which by the way he would of in gratitude reproduce that home as the home of a typical Virgin Islander rather than the unfortunate hut from an old post card.

Kean and I often speak of you. He says that he wrote to you recently but did not hear from you. Some day I hope to fix my home so that I will be able to accommodate fine colored people from the United States.

You will be glad to learn that I have given the first concert with the band of the High School and it went big. The band recently took part in the Memorial Day exercises. I must now close as time is up. Regards from us all for you and yours.

Your friend,

Adams

June 5, 1935

My dear Richardson:

Just a few very hasty lines. Since I wrote to you, the family suggested if the gentleman is colored and O.K., the hotel rates being so high, we might be able to put him up at our home. We have made some renovations and have plenty of space. Think this over and write about it.

Yours as ever,

Adams

14-1-29

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

The above explains itself. Adams has one of the most comfortable homes in St. Thomas. The house was formerly used by Navy officials and has what is called in the Islands "An American House."

Very truly yours.

E.S. Richardson.

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 22nd, 1935

Mr. Edward S. Richardson
560 Broad Street
Macon, Georgia

14-8-41

My dear Mr. Richardson:

Thank you very much for your efforts in the Virgin Islands. The friend that I spoke of has decided not to go to the Virgin Islands this summer, but may go sometime next winter.

If he does, I shall be glad to give him the notes that you have so kindly furnished.

Very sincerely yours,

webd/s

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

WILLIS RICHARDSON
2023 - 13TH ST., N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

October 9, 1935.

Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-21-10

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I am writing to say that I think the time is suitable for the proposed Encyclopaedia of the Negro, and that I shall be glad to do anything in my power to aid the project.

If you wish me to write I prefer to write about the Negro Little Theater.

Cordially,

Willis Richardson.

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14-23-66

November 18, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

This is in acknowledgement of your letter of the sixth instant, relative to articles for the Encyclopedia of the Negro.

I believe that I am in position to contribute several articles dealing with persons of the Negro race who have left their imprint in French, Spanish, Italian and German literatures and histories, within the following geographical reaches: the Continent, Central and South America, and islands of the Caribbean.

You may be assured of my interest and co-operation.

Very truly yours,

W. Napoleon Rivers

W. Napoleon Rivers
Head, Department of Romance
Languages and Literatures

Mrs. Belle S. Roberts
1324 North State Street
Aberdeen, South Dakota

September 18, 1935

14-27-28

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have been asked to speak to a group of white ladies on interracial relations. I realize that you are quite busy but I would like to have some literature which is more comprehensive than that which is available at our small library, in order that I may have a cross section of the subject from the standpoint of the North and South and of the races of people.

I am sure that you, because of your wide experience, will have just what I need; and it will be cared for and returned if you wish. If I may use any material which you may have, may I have it as soon as possible as I will need it the later part of this month because of the short time given me.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Belle S. Roberts

Stamps enclosed.

October 2, 1935

Mrs. Belle S. Roberts
1324 North State Street
Aberdeen, South Dakota

My dear Madam:

Your letter reached me just as I was leaving New York for Atlanta and it was impossible to answer it. I am sorry and hope I may be able to serve you some other time.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Virginia State College
Petersburg, Virginia
March 11, 1935.

19-18-68

Dr. W. E. Burghart Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

You will doubtless remember my telephoning you in New York, just as you were leaving for Atlanta for the winter session. I had just returned from the London School of Economics and Political Science where, after graduating from Yale, I had spent two years. I received my M.A. degree in Sociology 'with distinction'. I am now at Virginia State College teaching sociology. As you will remember, I sought your advise about going abroad. I am more than happy that I went. Many thanks for your advice.

For my thesis, I had originally planned to deal almost wholly with black and white relations in the Southern states during the nineteenth century in the fields of economics, politics, and education. Though I gathered notes for all three relations, time permitted the writing up of only one, the economic. This lack of time was due to the inclusion of a similar study of the relationships between the British slave-trading and slave-owning class and the Africans between 1789 and 1833. I can only give you the judgment of Professor Harold J. Laski, the internationally-known authority in the field of Political Science. Having read the English section of the thesis, he advised that I spend about six months on it and publish it. My Examiners who read the whole advised that I should think of publishing the American section in some form. Indebtedness at the moment may hinder my working at either section, but I feel it to be infinitely worthwhile.

I am interested in something larger than my thesis. The grasp that it has give me of our prolem in this country will, of course, be of great value. There is no person with whom I am acquainted that I should wish to talk over our problem and a possible program than with you. But you are in Georgia, and I am in Virginia.

14-18-69

However, I do think it is time that we as socalled Negro intellectuals must work out a program for our people and a technique for its realization. The times demand it and our people perish for lack of it. It appears to me that we are allowing to slip by one of the greatest opportunities in our history to make a move for the emancipation of our group. I am wondering if some of the leadership of our group together with some of our younger men who think and feel deeply about our problems might not find it desirable and practicable to get together in an informal meeting somewhere this summer - without the beating of drums which generally accompanies such gatherings - to get acquainted and to talk over our problems generally. Out of such a meeting something new in the history of our race, even now struggling to be born, might arise. I think itis a tragedy that the young men of our race who have a desire to spend themselves in the uplift of our group do not have that contact with our leaders that would inspire them and at the same time give sanity and balance to their thinking and acting. I should be grateful for your views on this matter.

I am taking the liberty of sending you a pamphlet which I had intended to publish in London under the auspices of the League of Coloured Peoples, as a corrective to much of the subtle newspaper propaganda which was preparing the public opinion of Britain for the intended acts of the British Government. It was written at intervals of fifteen and thirty minutes between performances of school requirements. Hence, the need for considerable editing. However, the facts are there. My idea was not to meet propaganda with propaganda, but first, to reveal to the British public the real facts of the situation by allowing the officials of the League of Nations speak for themselves; and secondly, to reveal to Negroes everywhere something of the nature of the problem and the issues involved. To accomplish this latter end, I had planned to have copies circulated throughout the United States and, in so far as possible, throughout colonial possessions particularly of Britain where the press is more or less under the control of the British Government. The League of Coloured Peoples has written me for it. They wish to pubit or apart of it. I should be grateful if you would read it and offer your unreserved criticisms and suggestions. I know this is asking no small thing, but you know the problem, aydu are intensely interested in it, and you are most capable of giving a judgment on the matter as presented.

I hope this finds you well and enjoying your work at Atlanta University.

Very sincerely yours,

Harry W. Roberts

Harry W. Roberts

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-15-20

April 5, 1935

Mr. Harry W. Roberts
VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE
Petersburg, Virginia

My dear Sir:

I received your letter just as I was leaving for two weeks in Texas to help make a special study of the economic condition of Negroes there. This explains the delay in answering it.

You spoke in your letter of sending me a pamphlet but you do not mention the exact subject, and although I have looked among my papers received, I do not find anything of the sort. Did you actually send it?

I am very much interested in the research that you have made as it is along lines that I have been studying. I value Laski's opinion very highly, and hope you will hasten to get as much work made in print as possible.

With regard to further organization, I have had that very distinctly on my heart, but first of all, we must get basic agreement, and especially in economic lines. I have, therefore, been sending out to inquiring persons here and there a tentative statement of beliefs. I am enclosing it to you and shall be glad to hear from you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1. (5th Edition Enclosed)

Virginia State College
Ettrick, Virginia
April 8, 1935.

Dr. W. E. Burghart Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-18-71

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

Thanks for your letter of the 5th with economic plan for American Negroes enclosed. I shall give the same the attention it deserves as soon as possible.

I am very sorry to hear that you have not received the pamphlet I sent you March 11. It was in the form of some thirty or forty typewritten sheets of paper enclosed in a brown envelope with a large number of stamps on its face to cover postage. I should be grateful if you would search again, as it may have been mislaid or overlooked. I am very anxious about it for it is the only copy I have and it was not insured. I shall take the matter up here with the postal authorities.

Thanking you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Harry W. Roberts

Harry W. Roberts.

HWR:DL

Virginia State College
Ettrick, Virginia
May 3, 1935.

Dr. W. E. Burghart Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du bois:

14-17-10

I had hoped to send you before now my observations on your very excellent statement of a proposed plan for the economic emancipation of the American Negro. In its general outlines I agree heartily. There are a few suggestions, however, which I should like to offer for your for your consideration.

In the first place, I am wondering whether a short introduction to the Proposed Basic Creed might not add to a clearer understanding and a fuller appreciation of them. I think this is necessary both for Negroes and for whites who will read and react to it. I should think that an introductory statement that would explain reason and cause for such a plan would be in place. It should picture frankly, vividly and concisely our plight but with an histoical perspective. Indeed, the materials that you have in nos. 6, 7, 8, and 9 could be used in making this statement. I think I should express regret that though in theory we are citizens, the disabilities that we suffer are sufficient evidence to prove that we are not in fact. Therefore, in sheer self defence we must enter upon such a program, upheld by our conviction of the imprescriptible right of men as men, and not as white men or black men, to live free and develop, and that basic to all and every freedom is economic and political freedom. I should think this would make clearer the emphasis on race in the program. I agree with you in repudiating racialism. We are an exploited economic and social group that happens to be a race group. Yet we must express the highest and noblest in the social and ethical thought of our time while at the same time being realistic and practical. Too, if you think it wise you mention the fact also that the communal life is not new to us but is deep in our African heritage.

In no.5, I should like to see Health take the place of Art, but that may be a minor point.

In no.10, I should prefer the phrase public ownership and democratic control of the means of production etc. I am a little afraid of the word state, for I can conceive of a state ownership and control that would be undemocratic and actually run in the interest of the few. The form and character of the state would make a difference as to the type of socialism.

14-17-11

In no.12, I should like to see that statement enlarged so as to express our attitude toward existing political parties and social movements - cooperation in so far as possible on all programs in the interest of the masses.

In G under nn.13 are ideas which I do not feel justified in commenting upon, first, because I am not sure of their meaning; and, secondly, because I think these larger issues must be discussed by men face to face to reach satisfactory conclusions.

I have made inquiries through the postal authorities concerning the materials I sent you but without results. It was not done up in pamphlet form, but consisted of some forty or more typed pages, the result of a painstaking investigation of the Liberian situation as revealed in the minutes of the Committee of the League of Nations examining Liberia's case. The unfortunate thing is that I had but a single copy. Is there another person on the College campus with a name the same or similar to yours who might have received it?

I should be happy to hear from you again at your leisure.

Very sincerely yours,

Harry W. Roberts

Harry W. Roberts.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 31, 1935

14-25-97

Mrs. A. M. Robertson
Post Office Box 426
Redwood City, California

My dear Madam:

In accordance with our previous correspondence, I am writing to ask permission to use the following stanza from the published poems of George Sterling, to which I understand you hold the copyright.

Enclosed is my check for ($10.00) Ten Dollars. Will you please send me the permission, duly signed by the authorized representative of the publishers.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

[ENCLOSURE]

"In Babylon, dark Babylon
Who take the wage of Shame?
The scribe and singer, one by one,
That toil for gold and fame.
They grovel to their masters' mood;
The blood upon the pen
Assigns their souls to servitude--
Yes! and the souls of men."

86-52-41

[M.H. Robertson]

(Permission)

C O P Y

February 8/35

W. E.B. Du Bois
Atlanta University

14-25-96

Dear Sir:

Your letter, and check enclosed was received today. As my son M. H. Robertson is returning about the 12th inst. I will leave the proper authorization of Sterling's verse for him to send to you. In the meantime. your check for $10.00 will not be cashed.

Thanking you, I trust that this will not inconvenience you, I am

Sincerely yours

(Signed) J. E. Robertson

Mrs. A. M.
P. O. Box 426
Redwood City

I have just noticed that your check is made to A. M. Robertson. The publications belong to Harry Robertson.

[M. H. ROBERTSON]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 27, 1935

14-25-95

Mr. Harry Robertson
Redwood City, California

My dear Sir:

Enclosed please find my check for ($7.50) Seven Dollars and Fifty Cents, for the use of 1 quotation from Sterling's poems. In sending the permission, please give the name of the book in which the poem occurred.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

14-1-41

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 14, 1935

Mr. Edwin R. Embree
THE JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Embree:

I think your latest publications of the Rosenwald Fund, "Every Tenth Pupil", and "School Money in Black and White", are excellent. Especially the idea of a National Equalization Fund for Negro schools is a ten-strike, both in fact and diplomacy. Hitherto, every appeal to national aid to education in the South has run up against the local or state control of funds, and the probability that the same inequalities would be perpetuated that now exist. If this idea of equalization could be pushed and popularized, it would solve the problem, and be unassailable by the South. The South could no longer plead poverty, nor could they obstruct the flow of funds to the Negro schools.

I hope you will push this.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-1-20

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 24, 1935

Mr. Edwin R. Embree
THE JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Embree:

At a recent meeting of the directors of the proposed Encyclopedia of the Negro, Mr. Stokes read your criticism of our project.

I am venturing to disagree with you, not with the object of pressing the matter of any contribution from the Rosenwald Fund, but because I believe so thoroughly in the necessity of an Encyclopedia of the Negro now, and not ten or fifteen years hence.

It seems to me that you forget that an encyclopedia is not a history. A history may have to be postponed in the writing until more source material is known, but even in that case, it should not be postponed until the collection of material is complete, because that would take a very long time. In any case, and in the meantime, there should be some authoritative source from which children and the general public could learn at least as much as there is to be known about the particular period in mind.

With an encyclopedia, however, the case is even more imperative. An encyclopedia is not only a record of history, but a record of present conclusions and opinions, and whatever an encyclopedia gains in factual accuracy by postponement of publication, it more than loses in lessening its grip on current opinion. For that reason encyclopedias are published, and then at reasonable periods revised. But at any particular time there ought to be an authoritative collection of the opinion and historical judgments of that particular day. In no case is that more demanded than in the case of the Negro problem.

You recognized the demand when you published "Brown America". What you did needs to be done on a larger scale by a wide group of scholars and public men, so that universities, colleges, schools and general readers will have a body of knowledge to which they can turn with the conviction that however incomplete it may be, and it must be incomplete, it nevertheless expresses fairly well the current opinion of the best authorities of the day. In this time of crisis and inquiry to postpone such an undertaking for half a generation or more, would be not only

unwise but calamitous. We need, of course, further source material, but nothing is likely to be gathered or discovered which is going to change the basic facts concerning the Negro in this country. And in the same way, the loss which the truth concerning the Negro has sustained in having no such authoritative statement, covering for instance the time of Reconstruction, or the day of Booker T. Washington, is irreparable.

May I call your attention, also, to the fact that Mr. Charles Johnson, who will undoubtedly be invited to be a member of the Editorial Board, has always expressed the greatest interest in this Encyclopedia and the need for it.

As I have said, this has nothing to do with the question of money, but I should be very sorry not to have your good will and influence in what I regard as an epoch-making venture.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Edwin R. Embree
President
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D.A. Elvidge
Comptroller

Julius Rosenwald Fund

4901 Ellis Avenue
CHICAGO

14-1-23

April 30, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois: Thank you for your letter of April 24. Next to Dr. Judd, of the University of Chicago School of Education, you state complex matters more clearly and persuasively than anyone I know. From complete skepticism as to the value of a Negro encyclopaedia at this time, you bring me, by a page and a half statement, to believe in it. Hereafter, there will be no objections heard from me to this proposal on its merits.

There still remains in my practical - and fiscal - thinking, a question as to relative values. My present position might be stated as follows: I am unwilling to recommend an appropriation from the greatly restricted resources of our Board. But I am ready to recommend the use of anyone else's money that we can get our hands on.

Very truly yours,

Edwin R. Embree

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-1-28

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July 30, 1935

Dear Dr. Hope: Professor Melville J. Herskovits of Northwestern University is sponsor for Mr. J. C. Trevor, the bearer of this letter. Mr. Trevor is a student of anthropology from England, and is travelling in this country on a fellowship from the Commonwealth Fund. I should be very much pleased if he had the privilege of meeting a number of the people on your faculty, and particularly Dr. W. E. B. DuBois.

I hope that in case you should be out of the city when Mr. Trevor comes, someone in your office will see that these contacts are made for him.

Yours very truly,

M. O. Bousfield, M.D.

MOB:McK

Dr. John Hope, President
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

October 3, 1935

Mr. Edwin R. Embree
The Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Embree:

I know you have been interested lately in studying race and color problems outside the United States. I want, therefore, to bring to your attention an offer that has been made to me.

When the Oberlaender Trust was established, I made in 1931 an application to be sent to Germany. I am enclosing a copy of that application. (Enclosure A.) The proposal was not accepted by the trustees, but Mr. Thomas, the Secretary, encouraged me to apply again. Therefore, in 1934, I made a second application, a copy of which I enclose. (Enclosure B.) This was accepted and I was given a grant of $1,600 to spend, five or six months in Germany studying the relation of education to industry. I am going to ask the University to let me go in April or May.

I should like to round out this trip by going on to Russia, China and Japan after my German sojourn, and returning by way of Hawaii. It seems to me that a trip like this would put me in possession of a large and valuable set of economic and racial facts. The latter part of this scheme, of course, could not be done on the $1,600 given by the Oberlaender Trust. I am laying, therefore, the facts before you. If you think that there is any possibility of the Rosenwald Fund being interested in the project, I should be glad to write you further and more in detail. Otherwise, regard this simply as a letter of information.

Very sincerely yours

WEBD/DW
Enclosures 2.

W. E. B. Du Bois

Oberlaender Trust

C O P Y

(ENCLOSURE A.)

A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE F IENDSHIP AND SYMPATHY
BETWEEN GERMANY AND THE UNITED STATES AND GERMANY
AND THE WORLD WAR

One of the most successful bits of propaganda against Germany during the World War was the allegation that she had mishandled and misgoverned her African colonies. This widespread statement made it the more easy after the war to divide the German colonies between France and England.

Personally this attack on Germany influenced me more against her during the war than anything else. I believed that German mis-government in Africa was because of the dominant military regime and in spite of what I knew of German industrial efficiency and of German character.

Since the war, and with the revelations that have come with regard to other imperial governments, and with my own visit to English and French colonies, I have changed my mind. I belisve that in many respects German colonial administration was superior to that of the English and equal perhaps to the French. And at any rate, I am certain that if it was not superior in all respects, it was in some. This has been proven to me by the attitude of the natives toward Germany during the war and by reports that have come to me from friends in Togoland and the Cameroons.

I should like, therefore, for the sake of truth and the good name of Germany, and the future of the Negro race, to be able to carry out some such plan as as this: to go to Germany and make contact with those organizations who in the past and at present are interested in German colonies, particularly in Africa and who represent the liberal and progressive spirit, to visit German Africa with a group of the representatives of these organizations and to make a study on the spot of what can be now known of former German administration and of present conditions under the Mandates.

(ENCLOSURE A.)

After this, I would like to write a report of this, not with the idea of exculpating Germany or blaming others, but trying to state clearly what Germany, England and France have done for the advance of the Negro and what progressive elements in Europe and America may do in order to put before the world the idea that the primary meaning of colonies is the advancement of their inhabitants.

I have a feeling that in this way so clear a case for the advancement of the Negro race could be made as opposed to its present economic exploitation that the world would be gin to see that no one imperial power is responsible for either the uplift or degradation of Africa, but that only in the united genius of the world, the world of Europe and the world of America, would Africa be emancipated and the menace of African exploitation as a continuing cause of war be removed. And I particularly feel that the resentment of Germany at the rape of her African possession could by such a study and movement be united to a forward movement in colonial philosophy. No vested interests, either in Germany or America, would be apt to hinder this effort which would not be the case in France, Belgium or England. In this way a definite and effective union against war and exploitation and for world wide economic reform might be instituted.

47-11-57

Oberlaender Trust

C O P Y

(ENCLOSURE B.)

MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE OBERLAENDER TRUST

Forty years ago, Booker T. Washington began his crusade for the industrial training of the Negro with the idea of incorporating the sons of the Freedmen into American industry as skilled workers. His thought was that some of them would eventually become capitalists, and thus the race would be integrated into the industrial organization of the nation.

Today, we can see many results of Mr. Washington's policy, and yet its main purpose of lifting black labor by means of technical education has not been accomplished, and the great industrial schools, like Hampton and Tuskegee, are being transformed into colleges of the prevailing type and slowly subordinating or giving up their industrial work.

The reasons for this lie in the economic changes in American industry and world economics rather than in any failure of effort on the part of the schools. These schools have taught agriculture and certain trades, but the world plight of the farmer, the monopoly of land, the changing of technique because of machinery, and the concentration of industrial control in a few hands, have left little opportunity for the small capitalist, and has changed the fields of skilled labor. A large, new, inexperienced laboring class finds itself with rapidly narrowing opportunities which trade unions and machines tend to restrict to low-paid, common and even casual labor. The current depression has revealed and emphasized this situation to such an extent that the present economic crisis among American Negroes is severe and no plans for the permanent relief of this class are being laid.

It is manifest that the basic ideas of Mr. Washington, as well as the ideas of many of us who were opposed to certain limitations in his program, must today be realized if the American Negro is going to

(ENCLOSURE B.)

survive as a self-supporting worker. Mr. Washington emphasized industrial training while we stressed highly trained leadership, both for industry and the broader aspects of life. The growing number of educated Negroes makes it imperative today that they assume the responsibility of the American Negro's economic future and by securing all available information, be able so to guide the mass of workers that they can support themselves with such standards of living as will make them a valuable part of a civilized nation.

The school in this process must play its part, but just what is this part? What was wrong in the older type of Negro industrial and agricultural school, and how far did it fail to take into account revolutionary industrial change; and how can a new type of industrial training, both in school, adult life, and business enterprise, be inaugurated so as to give the American Negro not only technical training in industry, but such general knowledge as will guide him in his industrial future; and make his efforts and ideals conform to the newer ideals of social welfare which are slowly spreading over the world.

When I was a student in Germany, from 1892-1894, industrial training was a part of the school system, and a successful part, while state socialism in insurance, and regulation of industry was leading the world. Afterward, Germany went forward by leaps and bounds in industrial organization and economic efficiency. Even today, despite war and revolution, her industrial machine has shown marvelous adaptability and efficiency. A large part of this must be due to the educational system and to certain other institutions like continuation schools, consumers' co-operatives, social insurance, and the like. From the experience of Germany in the last half century, the American Negro, as well as the rest of the American people,

(ENCLOSURE B.) C O P Y

ought to be able to learn much.

I, therefore, propose to make a study covering perhaps six month more or less, into the way in which popular education for youth and adult in Germany has been made to minister to industrial organization and advance; and how this German experience can be applied so as to help in the re-organization of the American Negro industrial school, and the establishment of other social institutions.

Such a study would come at a strategic time. Tuskegee is about to have anew principal and a new orientation of its general policy. Hampton is due a similar change; and some ten or twelve colored state colleges supported with Federal and state funds, especially for the development of industry and agriculture, are sadly in need of such a new program.

I am, therefore, asking for the opportunity to make this study

47-10-17

February 7, 1935 (Signed) W. E. B. Du Bois

Edwin R. Embree
President
Margaret S. Simon
Secretary
D.A. Elvidge
Comptroller

Julius Rosenwald Fund

4901 Ellis Avenue
CHICAGO

14-1-25

October 10, 1935

Dear Mr. DuBois: I have read with care and interest your letter of October 3 and the memoranda enclosed with it bearing on your proposed trip to Germany. In a more prosperous era we maintained fairly generous fellowship funds. At present these have been greatly reduced and we are holding awards very strictly to younger people who are preparing themselves for careers and for whom a year of further study or experience may make a great difference in the whole future of their work. Under the present limitations I am afraid aid to your proposed visits to Russia and the Orient would fall completely outside the scope of our fellowships.

I am delighted that you are making the trip to Germany and I can see the value of taking advantage of this presence in Europe to extend the visits to other countries. I am even more interested in your proposal to go to Russia than to go to India, China or Japan, for they are such enormous entities that brief visits, while instructive, are necessarily fragmentary and unsatisfactory. On the other hand, with your present knowledge of Europe and your life long interest in social and economic questions you would, I am sure, get an enormous amount from a visit of even a month or two to the Soviet experiment. I hope very much that you can add Russia to Germany even though we in this office find it necessary to regard your letter - as you put it - as a document of information.

Very truly yours,

ERE:GS

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Encyclopaedia

October 25, 1955

Mr. Edwin R. Embree
Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

14-28-58

My dear Mr. Embree:

You will remember our correspondence concerning the Encyclopaedia. I cannot refrain from sending you the enclosed digest of answers to a circular letter which I have been sending to scholars throughout the United States asking them if they believed an Encyclopaedia of the Negro was needed and if they would co-operate. The unanimity of their answers is astonishing and I hope it will impress you and the Rosenwald Fund.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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14-1

November 4, 1935

Dear Dr. Du Bois: Your letter of November 1st regarding Dr. Virginia Alexander has come while Dr. Rorem is out of the city. He is expected back about November 11th and I am sure you will hear from him shortly after that date.

Very truly yours,

Lucille Schmidt

Secretary to Dr. Rorem

W. E. B. Du Bois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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Secretary
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4901 Ellis Avenue
CHICAGO

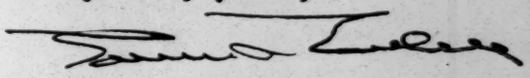
14-31-15

November 5, 1935

Dear Dr. Du Bois: Thank you for letting me see the comments on the proposed Encyclopaedia of the Negro. They are certainly impressive. Thinking you may want to use these in other connections, I am returning the sheets herewith.

By the way, I have just read for the first time your "Quest of the Silver Fleece." I had supposed that I had read everything of yours of any consequence. This simply shows how unwise it is to assume that any writing of yours is not important. I was moved and impressed by this story. In the first place, it contains a searching interpretation of social conditions. But, quite aside from the social message, it is fascinating and gripping as a novel. The characters are real and the plot grips one with the intensity of real drama. Particularly significant among the mass of shoddy white characters stands the figure and personality of Miss Smith. You must have known some such person in your own early experience. If so, you have paid the lasting tribute to an early friend.

Very truly yours,



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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

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November 8, 1935

Mr. Edwin R. Embree
Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

14-31-17

My dear Mr. Embree:

I am glad you liked "Silver Fleece". I always liked it myself, but the public apparently did not care very much for it. I have the same difference of opinion with the public with regard to my "Dark Princess".

I write to say that I am attempting a new novel. Nothing has been done, so far as I can see, to dramatize and put in form of a romance the development of a group. I once thought of doing this with regard to Haiti, but I was too far away. Now, I am planning to do it for the city of Atlanta.

Atlanta is a post-war city in all its essential development and was given its political opportunity by Negro votes and its economic development by a combination of poor white and carpetbaggers. It is a city which was deliberately planned and did not spontaneously grow and has become today one of the greatest centers for economic exploitation that the United States knows. Its history demands a three-volume novel; White, Poor White and Black; but of course no publisher would dare to attempt that. Therefore, I am going to make a single volume novel in three parts. At least, that is the plan I have. It presents, of course, enormous difficulties in technique and I may not be able to do it, but I am trying.

Thank you for returning the sheets. I wish they had impressed you even more.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[Rosenwald Fund]

JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

December 14, 1935

15-16-23

William Edward Burghardt Du Bois

Editor of The Crisis magazine; professor of Sociology, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Ga.

A study of Reconstruction.

Study finished

and book published, 1935.

In New York city and at Atlanta University.

Head of the Department of Sociology, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia.

Without this grant, it would have been impossible for me to have found the time or assembled the material and paid my assistants for the completion of this work.

The University of Wisconsin

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY
STERLING HALL

Madison

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October 10, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-26-81

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Responding to yours of September 10th just received, I will say that I think it would be a very fine thing to publish an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. It would bring to many his achievements, show his friends what was being done in many lines and, furthermore, bring to bear the findings of the anthropologists concerning the Negro race and Negro culture.

I should be very glad, were I able, to contribute as you invite me to do, but my heart has been over-taxed and won't allow me to be as active as I was, so I have to content myself with restricted activity. I am still Chairman of the Department and carry my full teaching load, but I just have to sidestep other undertakings, so I shall have to ask you to excuse me, much as I am interested and willing.

With best wishes for the success of the project, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

x E. A. Ross.

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Chairman of Department.

Book
B Reconstruction

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PRINCIPAL

January 21, 1935

FRANKLIN 5050

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Having had the privilege of meeting you and of hearing your lecture here, and being engaged in a study of the history of our group in Louisiana, I have been anxiously looking forward to the reading of your book, "Black Reconstruction." Several months ago I wrote to Harcourt, Brace and Company concerning its publication, but they offered only very indefinite information.

14-25-60

I am therefore taking the liberty of writing to you, Dr. Du Bois, hoping that you will be able to tell me when your work will be available. I should be doubly grateful to you if you will state briefly for me your opinion of the Louisiana Negro's status during the nineteenth century, before, during, and after the Reconstruction period.

I am enclosing a stamped and self-addressed envelope for your convenience. Please believe that I shall appreciate very much any kindness. I am

Very respectfully yours,

Charles B. Rousseve

Charles B. Rousseve
(Instructor, Normal Department,
Valena C. Jones School)

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 30, 1935

14-25-61

Mr. Charles B. Rousseve
1323 Columbus Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

My dear Sir:

My book, "Black Reconstruction", will be published in April by Harcourt, Brace and Company. It is a book of about 750 pages, and will probably cost about $4.50.

I thank you for your interest.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

6390 - 30th Street
Detroit, Michigan
September 24, 1935.

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I have a group of young people who are anxious to become acquainted with every day life in Ethiopia - religious, social, educational and civic. In addition to this I would like to get an account of the government under Menelik and also the regime of Emperor Haile Selassie up to the present time.

If you will suggest books where I can obtain this information, I shall be very grateful to you.

Very truly yours,
Rosa Rowe

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October 2, 1935

Miss Rosa Rowe
6390-30th Street
Detroit, Michigan

My dear Madam:

There is not much that is recent in print concerning "Ethiopia". In the periodical Index in the library, you will find a good deal of magazine literature and in the last one or two months, a few books have appeared, but I have not had an opportunity to examine them and cannot say how valuable they are. Of the older books, you may be able to get hold of a copy of Major Cornwallis Harris, "The Highlands of Ethiopia" in three volumes, London, 1844. There is an excellent book by Waldemar Gruhl concerning "Abyssinia" which has been translated into English.

I am sorry not to be able to give you better references.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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May 18, 1935.

W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta,
Georgia.

Dear Sir:

14-18-53

Recently I have read several of your books. Some of my friends and I have discussed them and I was pleased when they told me that they regard your works as highly as I do. During the past year or two I have read numerous biographies on Toussaint L' Ouverture including the "Black Napoleon" and others. Some of the authors seem to write with their tongue in their cheek, while others are guilty of gross exaggeration. I recall one writer that says "he flew hither and yon with the speed of lightning" and again "the mountains were like the plains" to him, etc.

The purpose of this letter is to suggest that notwithstanding the facts that many books have been written on this man, the fact is that in my humble opinion not any of them portray the real man. Without designing to flatter you, in my opinion no other American writer uses English with the delicacy, beauty and precision which you do. I am suggesting that this subject was made to order for you and I trust that you will consider the matter seriously, and I would feel very complimented if you would be kind enough to write me as to what you think of the matter.

Very truly yours,

JSS:A

John S. Saalfield

14-1-33

October 2, 1935

Mr. I. Sabel
1015 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Sir:

Last June I left two pairs of shoes with you to be repaired and forwarded to me at Atlanta University. On returning here September 30, I find that they have not been received. What has happened?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-1-32

October 3, 1935

I. Sabol
1015 Chestnut Street
Rooms 1103-09
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find my check for ($33.00) Thirty-three Dollars, $22.00 of this is to satisfy the enclosed bill, and the other $11.00 is for a duplicate pair of low shoes for me such as I bought last summer. They are to be forwarded here. As I wrote you the other day, the two pairs of shoes which I left to be repaired have not been received.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBDD/DW
Enclosure 1.

WALnut 1214 - 1215

(SABEL)
Chicago Office
30 N. Michigan Avenue

I. Sabel, Inc.
CORRECTIVE SHOES
FOR
Men, Women and Children
1015 CHESTNUT STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

I. SABEL, Pres. and Treas.
G. G. SABEL, Sec. and Asst. Treas.

October 7, 1935

14-1-34

Mr. W.E.B.DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of October 2:

I wish to inform you that your shoes left our office for Atlanta on August 31. I cannot understand this delay; but I have already put a tracer on from this end and will write you again Wednesday October 10 at which time, I am sure I will have some information for you.

Sincerely,

W B Naythons

W. B. Naythons,
General Manager.

WN:D

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October 8, 1935

14-1-35

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your check received with your letter and order dated October 3.

Regarding the two pair of shoe which evidently were lost in the mail: We have started a tracer on this end. Will you please inquire of the Postal Authorities in Atlanta about this package.

If it is not found then, will you please write me again to that effect so that I may file claim for the loss with the Insurance Company. When writing, please mention value of package.

I am very sorry about this loss and I am also very sorry that you are being inconvenienced in this manner.

Sincerely,

I Sabel

I. SABEL

IS:D

14-1-36

October 10, 1935

Mr. I. Sabel
1015 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Sir:

The package of repaired shoes has been found undelivered in the University post office. The fault of my not receiving it is not yours and I am sorry to have troubled you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[1935]

ARTHUR J. HARNETT
MANAGING DIRECTOR

HOTEL POWHATAN

PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE
18th & H. Sts. N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

September tenth

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
New York City

My dear Dr. DuBois,

14-9-8

This is to apologize, first for having failed to keep my appointment with you in New York on the Saturday before Labor Day, and second for having taken such an unconscionably long time writing you an explanation.

The original failure was due to a mistake in address. I had your office address down as number 204 West 135th Street, which was evidently an example of my native stupidity, since I discovered when I arrived where that number ought to have been, that it did not exist. There was a 202 and a 206 but no 204. Since I had several other people to see and had to leave New York the next day, I had no opportunity to call you again and explain my dereliction.

The second fault I can properly blame on the Resettlement Administration. I had no more than returned to Washington when I was sent off on an expedition into Kentucky and Tennessee, from which I have just returned, and I am seizing this first spare moment to write and tell you how sorry I am that I missed you and to express my hope that I did not inconvenience you too much.

I rather expect to be in New York again later in the Autumn, and I hope we can connect on the next occasion, since I am extremely anxious to talk to you concerning the problems of Negro resettlement.

Yours most apologetically,

T.L. Scholtz

T.L. Scholtz

We invite you to a distinguished Hotel—Two blocks from the White House.

NRA

October 2, 1935

Mr. T. L. Scholtz
Hotel Powhatan
Pennsylvania Avenue
18th & H Streets, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

14-9-9

My dear Mr. Scholtz:

This is in answer to your letter of September 10. I have been in the process of transferring my residence from New York to Atlanta and have not had the opportunity of writing before. I can quite see how the mistake of address was made. I am sorry, however, that I did not see you in New York or later in order to get some idea of the Resettlement Program and its relation to the Negro. I should be very much obliged to you if you would send me such literature and information as there is upon the subject so that I may get familiar with the situation and indeed, the general relation of the Negro to the revised NRA.

I should be over great obligations.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

City Public Schools
COLUMBIA S. C.

WAVERLEY SCHOOL
WM. AUGUSTINE PERRY, PRINCIPAL

March 30, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

14-1-04

My dear Dr. Dubois:

We have sent you a copy of the first issue of SCHOOL WORK, the official organ of the Department of Principals of the Palmetto State Teachers' Association of South Carolina. We trust that you have found time to read it through and that you will be so good as to write us and tell us of your reaction. We are endeavoring to serve the schools of the State through the columns of SCHOOL WORK and we want to do it effectively. We, therefore, shall appreciate highly any criticism or suggestions you may have to offer.

We are writing to ask also if you will not be so good as to write us a special article on any topic you think appropriate at this season of the year for a professional journal.

We realize that we are asking much in seeking from you a favor of the kind requested because of your exceedingly busy career, but we are trusting that you will find it convenient to assist us in the interest of the children of South Carolina.

The next issue of SCHOOL WORK comes off the press on May 15. May we have a contribution from you by the middle of April? We are enclosing a postal card on which you may let us know what to expect.

Sincerely yours,
Wm. Augustine Perry
Wm. Augustine Perry
Editor, SCHOOL WORK

m.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 4, 1935

Mr. W. A. Perry
Editor, SCHOOL WORK
Waverley School
Columbia, South Carolina

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of March 30, but I regret to say that I have so much literary work in mind just now that I cannot promise an article. If I find that I can write something later, I will let you know. I appreciate the offer.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-1-35

Black Reconstruction

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

FOUNDED BY GENERAL O. O. HOWARD

OFFICE OF
EMMETT J. SCOTT
SECRETARY

June 27, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

The Negro people of the United States - in fact, the colored peoples of the world, owe you a sincere debt of gratitude for your monumental work, "Black Reconstruction." We have long needed a virile pen ~~like~~ such as yours to set forth the true facts of Reconstruction. It must be most gratifying to you to read the approving criticisms which are appearing in the Metropolitan newspapers. It will not be easy in the future for so-called historians to smear the Negroes' part in that lamentable period.

Sincerely yours,

Emmett J. Scott

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14-1-37

W. E. B. DuBois
226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

Dr. Emmett J. Scott
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Scott:

I appreciate your kind words of June 27th.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 7, 1935

THE EDITOR
SCRIBNER'S
597 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

SCRIBNER'S magazine has always been so unusally fair to the South that it seems to me it might afford now to bring forward in good temper but firmly the exceedingly critical question of the over-representation of the South in accordance with its vote.

Under the Senators from Louisiana and Mississippi and some other states, the South shows distinct signs of going radical. In the past, the reactionary attitude of the South has reinforced conservatism and reaction in the North, and, therefore, has raised no objection, but if radicalism in the South should reinforce radicalism in the North, then the fact that the South is tremendously over-represented would put American democracy in a curious plight.

The enclosed distorted map shows the present political power in the South.

I write to ask, therefore, if you would accept an article by me along these lines.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

11-04-47

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 3, 1935

The Editor of
SCRIBNER'S MAGAZINE
597 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Sir:

I wonder if you would be at all interested in the enclosed article on the relations of Italy and Abyssinia?

I am attaching postage for return.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

CHARLES SCRIBNER'S SONS
PUBLISHERS - IMPORTERS - BOOKSELLERS
597 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

SCRIBNER'S
MAGAZINE

May 14, 1935

Dear Mr. DuBois:

We have enjoyed reading your article, "The African Roots of War", which is skilfully written, but we do not see a place for it in the Magazine. Thank you for allowing us to consider it.

Very truly yours,

Scribner's Magazine

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois

[SCURLOCK STUDIO]

14-1-38

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 10, 1935

Mr. Addison Scurlock
900 "U" Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Scurlock:

I need another photograph for distribution. I am coming through Washington September 13, probably about four or five o'clock in the afternoon and would like to have a sitting. I hope you can arrange it.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-1-39

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 16, 1935

Mr. Addison Scurlock
Scurlock Studio
900 "U" Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Scurlock:

I shall be at your office the afternoon of the 20th instead of the 17th.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

04-1-40

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 19, 1935

Mr. Addison Scurlock
Scurlock Studio
900 "U" Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Scurlock:

I am once more changing the time of my arrival at your studio. I will be in Washington Friday afternoon, September 27.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-1-411

October 11, 1935

Mr. Addison Scurlock
Scurlock Studio
900 "U" Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Scurlock:

Please furnish (6) copies each of proofs B, C and E. Everyone thinks the pictures are very good.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures herewith

Telephone
North 1364

Addison N. Scurlock,
Proprietor

THE SCURLOCK STUDIO
"BETTER PHOTOGRAPHS"
900 You Street, Northwest
WASHINGTON, D. C.

14-1-42

November 5 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I was not certain whether you wanted the whole order in the commercial type.

Three each have been sent this finish and one sample of the portrait style. Will await your instructions.

Yours very truly
Addison N. Scurlock.

14-1-43

November 8, 1935

Mr. Addison N. Scurlock
The Scurlock Studio
900 You Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Scurlock:

Finish all the photographs in commercial style. I think they are very good.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

"NATIONALLY KNOWN"

ADDISON N. SCURLOCK. PROPRIETOR

THE SCURLOCK STUDIO

ART AND COMMERCIAL

PHOTOGRAPHS

900 U STREET. N. W. WASHINGTON. D. C.

M Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, November 31, 1935

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Jan 10/36
Ans.

Thank you

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1876 Johnson Street
Jacksonville, Florida
May 22, 1935

Dr. E.W.B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta,
Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have been asked to read a paper, at the white Y.W.C.A., the first of next month on your contribution to America literature. There are two things which impede me: The little library here has little to offer me, and my stay in Europe has placed me out of touch with such things so I would not, under conditions, be able to do justice to the subject. Will you please do me the favor in sending me a list of your works, the publish~~ed~~ etc. I have been asked especially not to omit your poetry.

I am enclosing a stamped not so much as to assure an answer, but because I know, that now in private life, your postage bill would be great at the end of the year if you yourself had the bill to meet.

Please accept my good wishes for continued success and good health. I am

Very sincerely yours,

B. F. Seldon

Benjamin F. Seldon

P. S. Dare I ask you aside from your work with the Crisis what book to you consider your master piece.

B. F. S.

Miss Edith Glenn has just come in and wishes to be remembered to you. If you recall her, she met you in New York and was inspired by you~~s~~. She has charge of the adult educational work in the county for the FERA and has stood straight on all things concerning our problem. And too may I add that this county leads all the counties in Florida in this field. She is a New Yorker and as such has a double fight. I have been working with her.

B. F. S.

14-18-52

1876 Johnson Street
Jacksonville, Florida
June 23, 1935

Dr. W. E. Burgardt Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I was indeed glad to read "Ax-Grinder" page 63 in Time June 24,1935. I am sending for a copy of Black Reconstruction and for the two others that I have not read,if they are published by the same house. You forgot to let me know what house in your last letter.

May I ask you a great favor? I hope to get back to France next fall to finish the work I started at the University of Toulouse. I am making a comparative study(political,economic,religious,social and educational)of the southern Negro and the European peasant. Will you be kind enough to suggest or name the best books that have been published on Negro peasantry or any that will be of use to me in my work.

With best wishes for continued good health and success I am

Very truly yours,

Benj. F. Seldon

Benjamin F. Seldon

14-22-72

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

14-22-73

Mr. Benjamin F. Seldon

My dear Mr. Seldon:

Thank you for your kind words concerning my book. It is published by Harcourt, Brace and Company, who also published DARK WATER. SOULS OF BLACK FOLK was published by McClurg and Company of Chicago.

It is a little difficult for me away from my books to give you references concerning Negro peasants. There are two books recently published by Charles S. Johnson of Fisk and C. G. Woodson of Washington. Neither of them are quite as good as I should like, but they are the only recent studies that I know of.

With best regards.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

Encyclopedia

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 10, 1935

Professor Edwin R. Seligman
Columbia University
New York, New York

14-28-76

My dear Professor Seligman:

I am interested in a project for editing and publishing an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. You will see the sponsors which we have back of it. We have not as yet the financial aid necessary, but we think that we have good prospects.

In the meantime, if you could possibly spare me a half hour or so, I should like to talk over the general plans with you. I shall be in town until the 19. Would it be possible for me to see you?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

CAMP ASKENONTA
LAKE PLACID, NEW YORK

Sept. I3th., I935.

W. E. H..DuBois,
New York,

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

Inreply to your note I would say that I shall of course be glad to see you about your interesting project. Unfortunately however, I do not return to town until the close of the month, and I shall then be at the Hotel Madison and at your service when you again come to NewYork.

With kind regards,

Faithfully yours,

x Edwin R. Embree

14-26-64

Columbia University
in the City of New York
FACULTY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

W

October 12, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-26-35

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter. I think the project is certainly well worth doing and quite timely. I wish it all success, but so far as my own contributions are concerned, I am afraid that the time has passed for me to undertake any tasks of that kind. I am devoting the remainder of my activities to a large work on which I have been busy for many years.

With kind regards,

Faithfully yours,

x Edwin R. A. Seligman

47 Townsend St.
New Haven, Ct.
March 7, 1935

Dr. W. E. Dubois
69 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Sir:

I have been interested by some members of the INIA in their movement. Among the discussions held at which I was to get the program and history of the movement your name was mentioned several times in a deregatory manner. You were accused of having sold out the organization and aided materially in its causing its collapse. For weeks I have been reading and writing to people whom I know to be against it in an effort to reach something close to the truth. Why do you oppose it? The whole object of the movement being:

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"The objects of the Universal Negro Improvement Association and African Communities' League shall be:to establish a Universal Confraternity among the race; to promote the spirit of pride and love; to reclaim the fallen; to administer to and assist the tribes of Africa; to assist in civilizing the backward tribes of Africa; to assist in the development of Independent Negro Nations and Communities; to establish Commissionaries or Agencies in the principal countries and cities of the world for the representation and protection of all Negroes, irrespective of nationality; to promote a conscientous Spiritual worship among the native tribes of Africa; to establish Universities, Colleges, Academies and Schools for the racial education and culture of the people;to conduct a world-wide Commer-

cial Intercourse for the good of the people; to work for better conditions in all Negro communities."

To amend that and add more I would say that it will do just what you asked for in Chicago last week:establish race pride. It would tear down the dogmas upon which race prejudice and imputed inferiority are based; tear down the dogmas that make the American Negro look upon Africa as a dark continent and one to be shunned and despised as a homeland.

The movement does not say that all Negroes should return to Africa, the impossibility and futility of that being obvious, but don't you see the psychological effect, the stabilizing effect the idea has? If Negroes in America or the West Indies could feel that if they chose they could go to Africa, that some economic and social security was there or even that they could go there and help to work out their own salvation, to develop a new culture; would not that in a measure make them unite to break down barriers to their economic and cultural progress?

14-30-34

Upon rereading this, I find that I am far from clear but trying hard to see some light.

Please let me hear from you as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

Joseph Semper

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 11, 1935

Mr. Joseph Semper
47 Townsend Street
New Haven, Connecticut

14-30-35

My dear Sir:

I could not be accused of having sold out the U.N.I.A., since I was never a member of it, nor did I have anything to do with it. With its general objects, I agree, although they were much too vague and grandiose to be at all practicable. My attack upon the organization was an attack upon the dishonesty and deception of Marcus Garvey, and the reasons for that were set forth in detail in the CRISIS for: December, 1920, January, 1921, August, 1924, January, 1923, and June, 1927.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-23-30

North Carolina College for Negroes
Durham

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 3, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 11. I think that the time has come when we should have some authorative collection of articles concerning the Negro race, and I am very glad that you and your committee have decided to publish an encyclopedia. I shall be glad to aid in any way to push the sales of the book, and I believe that it would fill a long felt need. I hope that you can start the same soon.

I shall be glad to contribute an article on any subject you designate. I stand ready to cooperate with you to the fullest extent.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

James E. Shepard
President

JES:HHH

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
GEORGE W. RIGHTMIRE, *President*
COLUMBUS

COLLEGE OF
ARTS AND SCIENCES
108 UNIVERSITY HALL
WALTER J. SHEPARD, *Dean*
HUNTLEY DUPRE, *Junior Dean*
J. C. TROUTMAN, *Student Counselor*
HOWARD L. HAMILTON, *Secretary*

October 14, 1935

W

Professor W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Professor DuBois:

14-26-36

I appreciate very much indeed your letter of September 10 inviting me to contribute to the Encyclopedia of the Negro. I am not in any sense an authority or specialist in the field which I take it will be covered by the Encyclopedia. It has my warmest approval, and I am very much interested in its successful completion.

If it happens that there are any special topics on which you think I might write, I shall be glad to consider them, but I can scarcely conceive of a subject on which I could write with authority in this field or one which might not be better handled by someone else.

Yours sincerely,

W. J. Shepard

W. J. Shepard, Dean

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[SHIVERY]

1406-35th Ave.
Meridian, Miss
January 25, 1935

Dear "D.W":

I know that you have called me a lazy individual. You are perfectly right. I am as lazy as you have pictured me. I know that you had a merry Xmas therefore I won't ask you about it. I was in Atlanta for a few days during the holidays and had a rather nice time.

Since I've been back I've had a little run in with some members of the opposite race. Therefore I have kept my self very low not daring to go into town. Hence I am quite behind in my moving picture trips. It happened like this, I went into a shoe store namely the Cinderella Shop sat down and waited for several moments, no one came to wait on me. The clerks were not busy because there was no one in the store. There was a white white woman standing at the center around whom the clerks were clustered talking. After waiting several

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minutes more I got up and started out of the store. One of the clerks looked across his shoulder and said, "Wait a minute girl I'll wait on you after while". I looked around at him and said, "how old do women grow in your country"? He grabbed a shoe and said - "God-dam you I'll show you". As I was near the door I made my speedy exit. Not exactly running but walking very rapidly. Before I could get half way the block they were behind me saying, "Wait a minute nigger. Where are you from"? I didn't answer him. He said you dont know it but I dont care a thing about a nigger. I'll throw you down and beat your brains out of you right here in the street". I still didn't answer. By this time several individuals had gathered around as he wound up by saying; "you dont know how niggers ack down here in meridian. You had better ack some of them or get back where you come from. Dont you think one minute that you are as good as white folk". The two of them then turned around and

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and returned to the stores. I proceeded to go on and do what few things I had come to town to accomplish, got a taxi and returned home.

Bearing all this in mind I haven't been in town for fear I should have to encounter those individuals again. To make things much worse I found last week when our semester ended that all of my classes had been taken from me, leaving me with three messy classes, Geography, Health, and sixth grade History. The other time is to be spent out on the yard rounding up children that the family can do nothing with. As for doing work in my own field, that is wholly out of the question. The more I ponder over this job the more I am convinced that I am fed up on this $45.00 a month job. True I am feeding my self and that's all.

I am still taking typing. I won't say how much progress I have made. I am going to New York and find me a job this summer if its doing nothing

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but washing dishes. Say hello to mamma for me.

Please come over here some time before my school closes. Do you know President Morgan at Wiley College?

Love Henrietta

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 4, 1935

Miss Henrietta Shivery
1406-35th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi

14-36-2

My dear Dimples:

Your experience was a trying one but we have all been through it in some form or other. I remember long before you were born going into a book store on Mitchell Street and waiting for a crowd of lazy clerks to get over their conversation and wait on me. I finally started out when one of them called out: "What do you want, professor?" I simply answered, "I'm not a professor," and went on out.

In some parts of the country, including Mississippi, this might have led to a row, and my technique since then has been this: I go into a store and wait a reasonable time. If I am not waited on I walk out and say nothing to any comment or question that may be made. There is much less of this thing today than there used to be, but there is still enough of it to make your blood boil.

On the other hand, do not avoid going to town. Simply avoid that store. In the long run, that kind of boycott made by intelligent people who have a little courage left... there are few of those, even in Mississippi, will bring very tangible results.

The treatment of Negroes in the stores of Atlanta has improved 100% in the last twenty years, as I can see as I come back.

You have a tough job in Meridian and I knew you were going to. But do it well. Jobs are scarce now and tough jobs have to be done, as I have intimated before. Your principal, undoubtedly, is up against it, and has to do his work with a miserable appropriation. Don't despise the poor shrinking children that you have to take care of too much. There is something to be said for them.

Moreover, if you do this job well, you can undoubtedly do better next year. I am reasonably sure that you could get a position with Charlotte Hawkins Brown, but a private school as well conducted as hers is will be a tremendous improvement. Greensboro is also quite civilized, as compared with Meridian. Last, but not least, I often stop in Greensboro going to and from New York. So buck up and expect me to visit the

metropolis sometime this spring.

I have told your mother that I have heard from you.

With love

WEBD/DW

14-30-9

[HENRIETTA SHIVERY]

1406 - 35th Ave
Meridian, Miss.
Feb. 11, 1935

14-7-21

Dear "W.W":

I was more than glad to hear from you last week. I have been into town several times now. I saw two rather good pictures last week.

We are celebrating Negro History Week here. I am afraid because of the weather our meetings will not be well attended. We opened our program yesterday at the largest Baptist Church here.

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something of the early beginning of the negro Church was given. Tonight at the N. B. A. Auditorium the teachers are giving a program. I shall leave the people a little while with the Life and Works of Lucy C. Laney.

I wish that you could come down and give our people a treat. How ever we could never get the money together to have a celebrity here. I am looking forward to your visit to this big metropolis in the spring. When shall I expect you?

I hear from mamma

yesterday. She tells me that
she has been ill. You must
look after her for me. Its
highly impossible for me to
get there right now.
Tom sending the schools
time to write this letter. Hence
the shortness of it. Much
love to you and kisses.

Lovingly,
Dimples

14-2-23

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 8, 1935

Miss Henrietta Shivery
1406-35th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi

My dear Dimples:

I think I may be able to arrive in Meridian Saturday midnight, March 16, at 1:25. I shall leave either Sunday or Monday noon for New Orleans.

Write me immediately and let me know if this suits your convenience and wish. I hope you are well.

With lots of love,

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[SHIVERY]

1406-33rd Ave.
Meridian Miss
March 15, 1933

14-7-31

Dear "D" D":

I shall meet you at 1:25. Since I did'nt hear from you I shall see to it that you spend a nice quiet restful Sunday.

My girls are playing basket-ball in Jamie Miss. today. However, I shall be back tonight expecting you.

Shower you see Mamma
before you leave ask
her to please do for me
what I ask her to.

Love,

Wimpie

14-2-32

1406 - 35th Ave.
Meridian, Miss.
May 1, 1935

Dear "W.W":

Have you forgotten that I still exist or do you think that I am a very lazy child about writing. I am very lazy and I feel quite ashamed of myself for being so.

Since you left I have taken part in a play and I have

The meetings were very interesting in Jackson but just a little bit to religious.

my school closes here May 14. However I will be here until June 1 morning Payday. say hello to my mother for me when you see her and see that she keeps sweet.

Love,
Dwight

staged a little show
with my club girls.
I have also taken a
group of Scout Boys
and girls to Jackson the
annual meeting. I
suppose I should
tell you a little
about the club. It
consist of boys and
girls over sixteen
years of age. It is
run under the
auspices of the
Y. M. C. A.

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 22nd, 1935

Shivery

14-2-13

Miss Dimples Shivery
87 Chestnut Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dimples:

I am sorry you did not get home before I left. I told your mother to hand you my greetings. What are you going to do this summer? If you come to New York, let me know.

By the way what have you done concerning Sedalia? Remember the earlier you make application, the better.

My best love to you and your mother and tell your mother, if she does not answer letters, she must not expect to receive them.

Very sincerely yours,

webd/s

[Sheet 1]

% General Delivery
High Point, N. C.
Oct. 21, 1935

Dear D. D.:

It's been such a long time since I've written you I hardly know just when to begin. I think I shall begin with last spring. The day after my school closed I started working for Lever Bros. Soap Co. Just to give you a brief resume of my work I lecture to groups of people on the merits of two soaps, Lifebuoy and Rinso. Give them samples of the soap and tell them that this is the one and only soap company that lies regarding to advertise their products.

mamma has recited
all of the family problem
to you. I am sorry to
have you worried with
your business and our
family problems. Since
I have been working
this summer I have al-
most lost contact with
my friends. You are
one never in one place
long enough to form new
friendships. Then getting
mail is also a problem.
I've almost forgotten
what I started out to
say. May I offer con-
gratulations on your
new literary success.
I hope that during
the summer you were
able to get some much

His salary is $25.00 a wk. Out of this salary at the least $10.00 a week goes for expenses. All in all its not a bad job. Yet it isn't the best job in the world. We cover eight Southern States. This year work ends nov. 28th we work for a month or more and go back on the road in January. That means I'll have a month in Atlanta.

It has been so long since I've been there I'd hardly know just how to act. Imagine I am telling you all of this and you already know it.

I suppose by now

needed rest. I shall be in High Point, N.C about four days starting Tues the 22nd. I doubt if this letter reaches you early enough to write. Anyway I'll know that you are looking me.

Love,
Dimples

November 11, 1935

Miss Henrietta Shivery
General Delivery
Bennettsville, South Carolina

My dear Dimples:

I was sorry not to see you when you were here. I had just gotten in from a trip to Charlotte and had undressed and gone to bed when your telephone call awoke me, and as you had just fifteen minutes to stay, I knew I couldn't get dressed and see you before that time. I shall be here in November and December and glad to welcome you.

I am sorry about your health. Theoretically, I do not believe that you have any real cause to worry. Certainly none so far as the ex-ray picture was concerned, but the work that you are doing is a strain with change of climate and living conditions. Personally, it is not the kind of a job I should have picked out for you, but you are the Doctor.

Your mother was complaining the other day that she had not heard from you since you went away last. You really ought to write her more regularly because of course she worries.

I hope your work will go well.

With much love

WHBD/BW

14-7-15

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 14, 1935

Mrs. Louie D. Shivery
87 Chestnut Street
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Louie:

Enclosed is my check for ($2.49), Two Dollars and Forty-Nine Cents, to pay for the bag which you kindly purchased for me.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

MEMORANDUM TO MRS. SHIVERY
FROM DR. DU BOIS

February 15, 1935

The meeting of the Seminar, Wednesday, February 20, will be postponed. Please continue your reading and reports, covering Chapters 38 through 43, for Wednesday, the 20th, and Chapters 44 through 48 for Wednesday, the 27.

WEBD/DW

MEMORANDUM TO MRS. SHIVERY
FROM DR. DU BOIS

March 14, 1935

I am writing to Columbia, Tuskegee, and Dr. Adams to confirm your work, according to the enclosed memorandum.

Where can I get confirmation of your work in organizing the illiteracy drive? Could I write to the Board of Education, and to whom?

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1. (Guidance Record)

MEMORANDUM TO MRS. SHIVERY
FROM DR. DU BOIS

March 15, 1935

The Seminar will not meet March 20, March 27, and April 3, on account of my absence in Texas. On April 10, there will be an examination on Shaw's book.

WEBD/DW

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April 30, 1935

MEMORANDUM TO: DR. DU BOIS
FROM: MRS. SHIVERY

Mrs. Johnson (Reginald Johnson's mother) invites you to supper after the dance, Friday evening.

I am also reminding you to wear your flannels.

LDS/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
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May 3, 1935

Mrs. L. D. Shivery
87 Chestnut Street
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mrs. Shivery:

Enclosed is a copy of the memorandum to the Registrar from the Department of Sociology on your academic status. His reply, April 26, 1935, said:

> "Your memorandum of yesterday, outlining certain requirements for Mrs. Shivery and signed by both you and Mr. Reid, is acceptable to me, subject to the approval of the President."

Let me explain the memorandum.

1B. This will be a very easy thing to do and presents no difficulties.

3. This will be simply a matter of registration in 2 courses. No work will be required to meet the corresponding credits.

4. This involves taking a course in statistical method under Mr. Reid this summer, in addition to 2 other courses in sociology.

5. They may or may not give you an examination in English but in any case this will be easy. The foreign language requirement will be in German and of course will require some work.

The only real difficulty in all this will be the fees for registration. There will be involved registration for 3 courses in which you will do no work but will pay the registration fee of $15 a course, amounting to $45.

The summer school registration would be $20 and if you should take the foreign language course during regular term time that willbe $15 extra. This would make a total payment of about $80. You ought to receive scholarship aid for a part if not all of this and I shall take that matter up and let you know.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 16, 1935

Memorandum to: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois

There will be no meeting of the Seminar, Wednesday, May 22. On Wednesday, May 29, you will hand in your report on Karl Marx and Fascism; the report to be about 15 pages.

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

June 3, 1935

Memorandum to: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois

I am going to have a little necessary work done on the garage this summer through Mr. Huth. I will, of course, be responsible for it and pay for it and I will not subtract it from the rent.

WEBD/DW

[September(?), 1935]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Memorandum to: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois

Will Mrs. Shivery please see if she has the following two books and if so return them to Miss Wilson as soon as possible:

Hertzler, "The History of Utopian Thought" and "Ideal Commonwealth".

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Enclosed is my check for $10 which pays the garage rent in full up until October 1, 1935.

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

MEMORANDUM

October 21, 1935

To: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois
Re: Master's Thesis

1. Subject of the thesis: "History of Organized Social Work Among Atlanta Negroes, 1890-1935".

2. Preliminary procedure. Write a series of monbgraphs on the following subjects:

A. The Carrie Steele Orphanage.
B. Atlanta University conferences and local uplift work in Atlanta.
C. The Gate City kindergartens.
D. The Neighborhood Union.

Of these, the one on the Neighborhood Union would be the largest and would be divided into two sections:

X. The history of the organization.
Y. The work of the organization.

Under "Y" would come the various kinds of work: child welfare, clean-up campaign, the anti-tuberculosis and health campaign and the survey of homes, the survey of schools, vacation schools, the work on vice and parks, the playgrounds, the unemployment work, the beginnings of the School of Social Work and the community chest movement.

Added to this should be "Z":

Other movements, including the work for flood relief, the war activities and relief following the fire, the general work of colored women for the Y. W. C. A., the Urban League, the National Association of Colored Women, the Inter-National Council, war activities, political activities and the N. A. A. C. P.

WEBD/DW

MEMORANDUM (Continued)

Try to remember that this is a thesis to be read and not a speech to be delivered. Therefore as far as possible make it a straight, simple narrative with names, facts and figures. Avoid comment and emotional praise and blame as far as is possible in making your point clear. Especially avoid all repetition even though this makes the narrative short.

As soon as possible, check the statements in these monographs from the files and supplement general statements by actual facts and quotations with references. These quotations should be from reports and clippings with the exact date of the reports and of the publications. Copies of maps, plans and schedules should be inserted.

14-2-12

In fine, aim at a straight-forward statement of facts without praise or argument but telling clearly and carefully.

What was done?
When it was done?
Exactly how much was accomplished?

Mrs. Shivery

MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois

Dr. Volz has talked with the registrar and has been told that according to the University rules, everybody must appear at the examination.

As I told you yesterday, the examination is fairly simple. From those passages of the textbook which I pointed out to you, one German passage will be selected for translation into English. You may use a dictionary in making the translation.

I think you ought to go in and try your best.

November 7, 1935

WEBD/DW

Mrs. Shivery

MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois

The files are in my office.

November 26, 1935

WEBD/DW

MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois
Re: Master's Thesis

37-10-88

This memorandum takes precedence over other memoranda on the subject.

I have spent three days in carefully going over every scrap of material sent here in Mrs. Hope's files. I have re-arranged all this material chronologically, except in the case of certain data where the subject and the date was not easy to determine.

There is here a great mass of material which can be digested only by long and careful work.

I suggest that the treatment be chronological instead of by subjects. My first thought was that the material could be arranged by subjects, but as I had not thoroughly examined it at that time, I did not know how much material there was and the long gaps of time between many meetings pertaining to the same general subject.

My conclusion is now that only chronological treatment will be effective and so far as possible, I have arranged the material in that form. I suggest, therefore, that you begin with the organization of the Neighborhood Union in 1908 and follow its activities along year by year until the year 1935, sticking scrupulously to the facts, giving names and dates and abstracts or copies of important documents.

There have been several attempts to write up short statements of the general work of the Neighborhood Union, but they have been done for specific objects and are vague and general. I have collected these in one folder. I suggest that you use this folder for reference, but that you make your main dependence the actual documents, reports, minutes, etc., in the chronological folders.

The writing up of this data is going to take all of your available time for several months. Unless you begin it immediately and work strenuously between now and May 8 when the thesis is to be filed, the work can not possibly be finished this year.

This means that the first complete draft ought to be ready by March 15 and then the revision and copying be done in the next six weeks. This gives you thirteen weeks

Mrs. Shivery

for the first draft and it will take every bit of it for a complete, careful and properly documented draft.

There is a question as to whether some of the subjects can or ought to be included, as for instance, the inter-racial meetings, the meetings connected with the Y. W. C. A., the flood relief and the war work. These might be considered as connected with the Neighborhood Union in the sense that Mrs. Hope was an official of the Neighborhood Union. I feel, however, that this would not be sufficient reason for including these subjects.

On the other hand, these subjects might be considered as projects centering in Atlanta and connected with the efforts of Atlanta colored people and for that reason, they could be included, but in that case, the treatment would have to be more general than in the case of the Neighborhood Union. I think probably that this latter course should be followed in case you have time. This question of time is all-important.

I suggest, therefore, that the title of your thesis be made tentatively: "History of Organized Social Work Among Atlanta Negroes, 1890-1935".

I suggest that the largest sub-division of this work should be the history and activities of the Neighborhood Union and that you should concentrate for the next few months on this part of the subject. When that is finished, a division may be added on other activities which would include inter-racial efforts, war work, the Y. W. C. A., the Mississippi flood work, etc.

I shall expect you to take with you today two folders: one containing the various histories of the Neighborhood Union already written; and the other containing the detailed material of the work of the Neighborhood Union from 1908, 1909 and 1910. You should read through carefully the histories, with some of which you are familiar, having written them yourself or furnished the data for them. Next, you should take the folders with the data and carefully sort it out, chronologically by years. You will find there some matter that doesn't belong to these three first years. This should be carefully put aside in order to be re-filed for later years. Finally, you should write the history of the Neighborhood Union in these years, referring carefully to the authorities and care-

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fully inserting names, dates and other figures. In the case of names, of course, important names of officers and those who were doing particular pieces of work. The names of members, etc., need not be used.

This finished work covering three years, together with the data upon which it is based, should be handed to me at the earliest possible moment. You have a record of twenty-seven years to cover. Many of these years had little important work; others had a good deal, but you will have to cover the matter at an average of three years a week. In some cases, the work of a single year will take you more than a week and in other cases, four or five years can be done in a week. The average, however, as I have said, should be at least three years a week.

Meantime, if I can secure the assistance, I am going to have a typist carefully arrange and number the documents which we have and put them in a carefully arranged file so that they can be eventually deposited in the library and so that in your thesis you can make specific references to them.

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When you report on Wednesdays at four o'clock, I should like you to spend an hour or such time as you can in going over the matter which has not yet been distributed chronologically because of uncertainty as to the subject and date.

December 10, 1935

MEMORANDUM

14-2-18

To: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois

Ladies Night of the Boulé is going to be Friday, December 19.

I should like very much if you would accompany me on this occasion. I will let you know just where it's going to take place and have a formal invitation sent to you.

December 10, 1935

WEBD/DW

14-7-19

MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois

I have got to be out of town this afternoon and therefore cannot keep my appointment at four o'clock, even in case you are able to come. We will, therefore, meet Wednesday at four o'clock as usual.

December 10, 1935

WEBD/DW

(1935)

Memorandum

To: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois

I have just had a talk with the Registrar. You have 20 credits for your master's degree and need 4 more. These 4 can be satisfied by you writing your thesis this semester and next under me.

In addition to that, there are 2 examinations, 1 in German and 1 in English. The German examination will be given very soon, in a week or so. You have nothing to fear from that. There will be an examination in English during the spring, which will also be negigible. Finally, I believe you have some change of mine.

WEBD/DW

[1935]

MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. Shivery
From: Dr. Du Bois

Mr. Reid and I have decided to ask Mr. Whittaker to transfer your registration for 545-546 Seminar to Course 505-506 in "Social Theory". This will make no difference in the work to be done. Your work will still be done with me and will be on the writing of the thesis.

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Please bring all that you have written on the thesis and all the material in your possession and all that you can get into your possession to my Seminar Room at your earliest convenience and let us decide upon a definite weekly date for meeting.

WEBD/DW

May 15, 1935

-Shivery

My dear Dr Du Bois:

I have always been a little tongue-tied but that quality is now buried with my pre-operation past, for Mr. Cobbs has shown me how a simple and somewhat routine affair for the medical men can be an inexhaustible source of conversational fodder for me. If the stitches had but already been removed, this laugh provoking piece probably would have relieved the bewhiskered gentlemen of that bit of labor.

Thank you for sending it. I enjoyed it immensely.

Yours truly,

Verna Warnsley Shivery

14-7-9

Shook

Social Memoranda

14-19

Mrs. Carrie M. Parker

announces the marriage of her daughter

Cerella Brown Shook

to

Mr. Richard H. Harris

on Saturday, March 9, 1935

Nashville, Tennessee

At Home

1605 Phillips Street

[SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL]

14-24-02

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 17, 1935

Mr. Donald Young
230 Park Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Young:

I am going to be in New York City the week of January 20, and will be glad to come in and talk with you if youare in town. I shall telephone your office Wednesday morning, the 23.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Please return to W. E. B. Du Bois

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March 20, 1935

12-15-21

Dr. William E. B. Du Bois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Du Bois:

I am glad to inform you that the Committee on Grants-in-Aid has voted you the sum of $600, or as much thereof as may be needed in 1935-36, for the completion of your history of the Negro troops in the World War.

This grant is made with the understanding

(1) That you will submit at the expiration of your work under the grant a report of from five to ten typewritten pages indicating the current status of the project, and including a rough statement of the major items on which the grant was expended (this last requirement is not to be interpreted as any desire on the part of the Committee to audit your expenditures, but rather as an attempt to secure information for its guidance in determining future policy);

(2) That, in any publication which may arise out of work aided by this grant, you will make appropriate acknowledgment in preface or footnote, but not elsewhere, of the Council's share in financing the study; and

(3) That you will present to the Council two copies of any such publication for its library.

The Committee regrets its inability to grant you the full amount requested in your application. While the funds available for distribution have remained constant throughout the last eight years, the number of requests for assistance has more than doubled in the same period. This year the requests totalled more

than six times the amount of money at the Committee's disposal. It is sincerely hoped that the amount voted you will enable you to carry out your research plans in spite of the fact that, because of the pressure from other applicants, it is smaller than the sum requested.

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May we ask for your formal acceptance of this award by April 8th. Payment will be made in two installments, the first of which will be for $300 to be sent as soon as office routine permits after we receive your formal acceptance, and the second for $300 on July 1st, 1935. Both checks will be mailed to you at your present address on the dates mentioned unless you instruct us to the contrary.

Sincerely yours,

Donald Young

DY VP

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 21, 1935

Mr. Donald Young
SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL
230 Park Avenue
New York, New York

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My dear Sir:

Your letter of March 20 has been received. Dr. Du Bois is at present attending an "Economic Conference of the Negro in Texas" at Prairie View. I am forwarding your letter to him.

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

March 27, 1935

14-15-20

Mr. Donald Young
Social Science Research Council
230 Park Avenue
New York City, New York

My Dear Mr. Young:

Your letter of March 20 has just reached me here. May I thank you and the Committee very much for the grant that you have made. I shall comply with the three conditions.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBD/w

W. E. B. DuBois

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April 1, 1935

Dr. William E. B. BuBois
Department of Sociology
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. DuBois:

We take pleasure in sending you herewith our check for $300.00, representing the first payment on account of your Grant-in-Aid award.

May we ask that you kindly acknowledge receipt of the check to this office?

Sincerely yours,
Carolyn E. Allen

CEA:DW

14-24-04

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 4, 1935

Miss Carolyn E. Allen
SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL
230 Park Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Madam:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your check of April 1 for $300, first payment on account of my Grant-in-Aid award. I am much obliged.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

June 1, 1935

Mr. Donald Young
SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH
COUNCIL
230 Park Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Young:

My address from June 1 until October 1 will be: 226 West 150 Street, Apartment 5 Jay, New York.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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14-24-05

Dr. William E. B. Du Bois
226 West 105th Street, Apt. 5-J
New York City

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

We take pleasure in sending you herewith our check for $300, representing the final payment on account of your Grant-in-Aid award.

May we ask that you kindly acknowledge receipt of the check to this office?

Sincerely yours,

Carolyn E. Allen

CEA:F
Encl.

14-24-06

SJ:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

Miss Carolyn E. Allen
c/o Social Science Research Council
230 Park Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Madam:

May I acknowledge receipt of your check for Three Hundred ($300.00) Dollars representing the final payment of my Grant-in-Aid award.

I thank you very much.

Very sincerely yours,

s W. E. B. DuBois

Amsecan (3rd Edit.)

6029 Beechwood,
Detroit, Michigan,
March 5, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear sir:

I am very much interested in the ideas expressed in the pamphlet you read at the dinner given by the Alpha Phi Alpha men of Wayne University in Detroit Sunday, February 24th. The pamphlet gives expression to movements already started in Detroit by the Booker T. Washington Trade Association and the Civic Rights Committee.

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The people at the head of these organizations are amenable to reason and would support the establishment of a bureau for the coordination and mobilization of the economic and political power of the Negro community in Detroit.

There is considerable agitation going on in Detroit for just this kind of work but no one has taken up the job. The university students are participating in this agitation for group solidarity and self help as the ultimate solution for most of the ills suffered by Negroes in large metropolitan centers.

Detroit is a very fertile place now for a movement along the line of Negro solidarity because the population is about fixed and is making attempts for a finer adjustment. The antipathy of the old residents toward the new comers has worn out with time and the new comers dominate the community life among Negroes by force of superior numbers.

I will be very pleased to receive a copy of the pamphlet and any additional information to effectuate its precepts.

Very truly yours,

Thos. R. Solomon

Thos. R. Solomon,
Earhart Fellow 1934-35,
University of Michigan.

A U P E C A N

6029 Beechwood
Detroit, Michigan
March 26, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois
Box 365
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-12-6

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find the names and address of persons living in Detroit who occupy position of prominence in the community and should consider the ideas expressed in the A U P E C A N.

I have given the A U P E C A N my careful consideration and fully agree with its creed and principles. Several questions come to my mind when I read items 12 and 13. Have you any plans or ideas for effecting item 12? Detroit is about the best place in the world for cooperative marketing. All that is needed here is a neucleus to start the work.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Thos. R. Solomon
Earhart Fellow 1934-35
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[ENCLOSURE]

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   3762 Seyburn

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 31, 1935

Dr. Vada and Dr. John Somerville
334 East Jefferson Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

My dear Dr. Vada and Dr. John:

Your letter of December 21 was most welcomed. I had just about given you both up and said things that were not to be printed.

It's nice to know that you are alive. I am in very good health and spirits. I have a pleasant situation here with everything to help my writing which is going on. My book on Reconstruction will appear in April. It is a big thing of some 750 pages, and will cost $4.50. You can begin to save for it.

14-30-12

I went to New York and spent the Christmas vacation with the family. My granddaughter is a most intelligent child and would ask about you, I am sure, if she only knew. You will have to take a trip East to see her. I have just been up again this last week during examination time in order to see the family and go to the theater, etc. Now, I am back for the second half of the year's work.

The situation with the N. A. A. C. P. in New York was getting increasingly impossible. I had to choose between two things: either to go in for a long and difficult and exceedingly unpleasant fight, or get out. If I had made the fight, it would have been interpreted as the effort of an old and envious man to curtail the opportunity and development of a young and budding genius. This opportunity was offered me here with a minimum of teaching and every chance to write and some chance to lecture. It seemed just the thing for me to take it, and I did.

The N. A. A. C. P. has got to undergo thorough reorganization, and it hasn't started yet. It's the same story will all organizations, as it is with some men. After they get to be a certain age, they get out of touch with their surroundings, and if they can reorientate themselves, all right, and if they can't, they just die, even though they are living and walking around.

I hope things are going better with both of you, and that you are seeing some nice little gleams of light. I had written you of the possibility of my coming on a lecture tour, but the Hollywood Forum was unable to get enough other organizations to pay the rather large expense. Nevertheless, I am hoping sometime next fall or winter to see your wonderful and exceptional climate and renew my love for Los Angeles. If Mrs. Du Boiswere here, I know she would join me in best regards, and I send every good wish.

Please don't wait so long before writing again. By the way, I am enclosing correspondence which I have had about the Los Angeles city schools.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosures

Hubbard

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47TH AND SOUTH PARKWAY

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EXECUTIVE OFFICES

PHONE ATLANTIC 4602

March 1st,
19 35.

Mr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-28-33

Dear Mr. DuBois:-

A colored man presented a check drawn on the Brooklyn Trust Company, Jan. 3rd, 1935 made payable to you and signed by Walter N. Beekman.

While we were making inquiry the man disappeared. We therefore wrote to the Brooklyn Trust Company regarding the matter and received a reply to the effect that Mr. Beekman had given you such a check.

We naturally figured that you had lost this check and the finder was representing himself to be you.

Will you kindly advise what disposition you wish us to make in the matter?

Yours very truly,

SOUTH CENTER DEPARTMENT STORE

By: Loraine M. Graner

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 4, 1935

SOUTH CENTER DEPARTMENT STORE
47th and South Parkway
Chicago, Illinois

14-28-36

Gentlemen:

Attention of Loraine Cramer

The check to which you refer in your letter of March 1 is the property of Lillie Maie Hubbard, United States Consulate Clerk at Las Palmas, Canary Islands. She left some gold with me to be sold. It was sold through Dr. Beekman of Brooklyn, and a check for the amount sent to me. I sent the check to Miss Hubbard and she wrote me that she was sending it to her mother, Mrs. Hubbard, 4805 Vincennes Avenue, 1st Apartment, C/O Simon Heard, Chicago. The check has evidently either been lost or stolen, and should be returned to Mrs. Hubbard or to me.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Hubbard

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 8, 1935

SOUTH CENTER DEPARTMENT STORE
47th and South Parkway
Chicago, Illinois

14-28-40

Gentlemen:

Attention of Miss Loraine M. Gramer

Following up my letter of March 1, Mrs. E. D. Hubbard, 4805 Vincennes Avenue, 1st Apartment, C/O Simon M. Heard, has never received the check presented at her store. It was probably stolen from her mail. It should be returned to her or to me.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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14-24-01

May 27, 1935.

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois
Atlanta University.

Dear Dr. DuBois,

The Legion has not yet been able to put us out of business, that is, to prevent the Institute from being held. Church and sponsors have held firm, and the press has been more friendly than might have been the case.

But we need help in recruiting, and the finances are not entirely provided. Any help you can give in either direction will be most gratefully received.

Yours sincerely,

Claud Nelson

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For information concerning costs and other details, for later bulletins, and for additional copies of this announcement, address the Field Secretary,

CLAUD NELSON, 252 Winona Drive
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Experts in the fields of Economics, Education, History, International Relations, Religion and Sociology will present the problems of peace and war from their special angles. There will be thirty-four hours of class work for those registered in the Institute.

The Institute also seeks to discover and set forth ways and means by which those attending can best use this information to create attitudes of international goodwill and understanding in their schools and communities. The Institute is designed primarily for persons who are or expect to be actively engaged in some capacity in forwarding better international relations without regard to denomination, nationality, race or other factors.

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Grinnell Institute of International Relations, Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, June 12-22.

Mid-West Institute of International Relations, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, June 24-July 5.

New England Institute of International Relations, Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass., June 25-July 5.

Whittier Institute of International Relations, Whittier College, Whittier, California, June 24-July 6.

Reed College, Portland, Oregon, July 5-15.

Mills Institute of International Relations, Mills College, Oakland, California, June 24-July 6.

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St. Luke's Episcopal Church

June 10, 12:00 to 2:00 o'clock. (Atlanta is in the Central Time Zone, but has adopted the **Daylight Saving** schedule.)

Opening Convocation at 2:30.

Registration and Convocation in basement.

CLASSES

All courses given may be attended by each person registered. On the opening day, three classes will be held, all in the afternoon. On succeeding days, there will be three hours in the morning, nine to twelve-thirty, allowing brief intermissions, and one in the afternoon, two-thirty to three-thirty. There is no class-work on Sunday.

RATES

The registration fee for the Institute is $3. A few scholarships are available. Living costs for the entire period from ten dollars up.

Registrations and requests for further information should be addressed to Claud Nelson, Field Secretary, 252 Winona Drive, Decatur, Ga.

Checks should be made payable to Arthur Raper, Treasurer.

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Memorandum from Field Secretary

We count ourselves very fortunate in obtaining the use of St. Lukes Episcopal Church for the Institute through the cordial action of the rector, Dr. John Moore Walker and the vestry.

In addition to the faculty named on the printed sheet, we are seeking Mr. Rexford Tugwell. He is definitely interested, but cannot give us his answer until a little later. We have just received an acceptance from Professor Cordier in Richmond, Indiana, who has rendered outstanding service in these Institutes elsewhere. Some details remain to be arranged with him.

Mr. Paul Harris, Jr. who last year had a group of young people at the Duke Institute for training in peace action, plans to help us recruit a similar group and train them in the Atlanta Institute in 1935.

With the faculty practically complete, the strong list of sponsors which you see, place of meeting secured, we still have to secure over half the budget, and the huge task of recruiting lies ahead.

Each sponsor is asked to send in suggestions, prospects for registration and for financial solicitations and personal contributions: any or all of these according to your interest and your ability to comply.

[SOUTHERN RAILWAY]

Southern Railroad

March 28, 1935

Mr. E. E. Barry
Assistant General Passenger Agent
57 Luckie Street
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Sir:

Can you reserve for me a lower berth from Atlanta to Washington on train #36, leaving Atlanta at 11:55 P. M., Friday, April 5, and arriving at Washington at 7:25, April 6?

My address is Atlanta University.

Very sincerely yours,

WEB/h

W. E. B. DuBois

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 12, 1935

Mr. E. E. Barry
Assistant General Passenger Agent
57 Luckie Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Sir:

Can you reserve me a lower berth from Atlanta to Greensboro, leaving Atlanta at 7:30 P.M., April ~~1st~~ 17 I am a colored teacher at Atlanta University.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Railroad

14-24-08

November 22, 1935

Mr. E. E. Barry
Southern Railway System
Passenger Traffic Department
57 Luckie Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Sir:

I want a 10-day, round-trip ticket to Washington, D.C., Wednesday, November 27. Can you arrange for me a lower berth to Washington on the train that leaves at 6:05 P.M.?

I am a colored teacher at Atlanta University.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

SOUTHERN RAILWAY SYSTEM

PASSENGER TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

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O. B. PRICE
TRAVELING PASSENGER AGENT

57 LUCKIE ST., N. W.

14-24-09

ATLANTA, GA. November 23, 1935.

Mr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 22d and have reserved for you lower berth No. 13, car designated S-7, Atlanta to Washington, our train No. 30 which will depart 6:10 PM Wednesday, November 27.

We will be glad to sell you this space at our office, No. 57 Luckie St.

Yours very truly,

E E Barry

Assistant General Passenger Agent.

Sent to (Southeastern Sociological Society)

E. J. Krueger
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tennessee

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE, TENN.

March 20, 1935 Chest

Potter

A Southeastern Sociological Society

Preliminary Organization Meeting
Knoxville, Tenn.
April 20 - 21

At the Sociological Society meeting this past Christmas at Chicago, the Sociologists of the Southeastern States held several meetings and finally determined to call a meeting of representatives from the Southern states to perfect a Southeastern organization. This meeting has been set for April 20-21, at Knoxville, Tennessee. Two or more delegates were selected from the states east of the Mississippi and including Virginia and Kentucky on the north. More than two representatives will be welcome from a state if they can be prevailed upon to attend. You are asked to attend this important meeting as one of the representatives from your state.

The following preliminary committees were named and asked to prepare such matters as fell to their duties:

Program:

Wm. E. Cole - University of Tennessee
T. E. Howard - TVA
Wayland J. Hayes - Vanderbilt University
Charles S. Johnson - Fisk University

Constitution and By-laws:

Rupert B. Vance - University of North Carolina
Wilson Gee - University of Virginia
N. B. Bond - University of Mississippi

Committee on Local Arrangements:

I. V. Shannon - University of Tennessee
Paul David - TVA
Phillips B. Boyer - University of Tennessee

The meeting in Knoxville will largely center upon the formulation of organization plans for a Southeastern Society with the expectation that such plans will be submitted to a meeting of all Southeastern Sociologists to be held some time next

Fall, possibly early in November. There are a host of problems which enter into organization plans, such as: name, inclusive states, purpose, membership, annual time of meeting and general policy. We expect at Knoxville to hold a session on Saturday morning, visit Norris Dam in the afternoon, and hold a dinner and evening session Saturday night. If necessary we will continue discussion Sunday morning. The only formal program will be a general review of research projects now under way by the TVA.

Many of the representatives can drive to the Knoxville meeting. Since the 19th is Good Friday, perhaps distant representatives can break away from classes in order to arrive that night or early the morning of the 20th. We suggest that representatives within a state correspond and possibly plan to come to the meeting in one auto and thus cut down expenses. We are not able to offer any expense coverage and those attending will have to look upon the venture as a labor of love in the interest of the Southeastern group. We will later send notice of hotel headquarters and final program plans.

14-24.

If our plans materialize, as we believe they will, we may look forward to a two-day Southeastern meeting in the Fall, at some central point, with a full set-up of papers, research projects and round-table discussions. An annual Southeastern meeting should in no sense be a substitute for the national meeting held during the Christmas holidays (the national meeting will be held in New York in 1935), but should supplement the national meeting and provide a regional fellowship. Those of us meeting in Chicago felt that the time was ripe for the organization of Southeastern Sociologists. The Political Scientists and Economists of the Southeast are already well organized and hold annual meetings. The TVA and other governmental projects in the South lend additional reason why the Sociologists should assume a greater responsibility for their field and make possible a larger sociological contribution to Southern problems than we have been able to make thus

far. If you can attend the Knoxville meeting, even at some sacrifice, you will contribute greatly to what appears to be a significant and greatly needed step forward. Let me know if you plan to attend. Suggest another representative from your State whom you think might attend.

Very truly yours,

E. T. Krueger

E. T. Krueger,
Temporary General Chairman

14-24

[SOUTHERN SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY]

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

April 8, 1935

Final Information
Knoxville Meeting of Sociologists
April 20-21

Acceptances thus far assure a successful gathering at Knoxville for the purpose of organizing a Southern Sociological Society. We shall be glad to hear from delegates who have not as yet indicated their plans, and we sincerely hope that they will be able to be with us. Bring someone with you; the meeting is open to all who are interested in the development of a Sociological Society.

14-24.

Headquarters will be at the Andrew Johnson Hotel. Enclosed please find copy of the program of the meeting. Delegates are requested to arrange travel so as to be on hand for the full day Saturday. It will be well to reserve rooms at hotels in advance. Knoxville is peculiarly subject to sudden influx of people.

We are looking forward to this significant gathering of Southern sociologists.

E. T. Krueger
E. T. Krueger
Temporary General Chairman

Knoxville Hotels

ANDREW JOHNSON: Room with bath, single, $2.50; room with bath and twin beds, $2.00 per person; room with bath, double bed, $1.75 per person.

FARRAGUT HOTEL: Room with bath, single, $2.50; room with bath and twin beds, $2.00 per person: room with bath, double bed, $1.75 per person.

ARNOLD HOTEL: Room with bath, single, $2.00; room with bath and twin beds, $1.75 per person; room with bath, double bed, $1.50 per person.

COLONIAL HOTEL: Room with bath, single, $1.50 and $2.00; room with bath and twin beds, $1.25 per person; room with bath, double bed, $1.00 per person.

ATKIN HOTEL: Room with bath, single, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00, $2.50; room with bath and twin beds, $1.50 and $1.75 per person; room with bath and double bed, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75 per person.

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PROGRAM OF ORGANIZATION MEETING

Knoxville - April 20-21

April 20

8:30 A. M. - Registration

9:00 A. M. - A Southern Sociological Organization - Its Rise, Scope and Relationship to Other Societies - Dr. E. T. Krueger.

9:15 A. M. - The Southern Regional Study and the Southern Regional Committee - Dr. Howard W. Odum.

9:45 A. M. - Business Session: Presentation of Tentative Consitution - Dr. Rupert B. Vance, University of North Carolina. Presentation to be followed by discussion in the effort to find common ground for agreement on any issues which may arise.

11:00 A. M. - The Socio-Economic Division of the TVA: Its Past Accomplishments, Future Program and Possibilities of Cooperation with a Southern Sociological Society - Dr. Floyd Reeves, Director, Division of Personnel and Social Development, TVA.
To be followed by discussion.

12:15 P. M. - Luncheon - This will not be a set luncheon. Special Committees may meet or congenial groups may get together.

1:30 P. M. - Trip to Norris and Norris Dam. Meet promptly in front of Andrew Johnson Hotel.

6:00 P. M. - Dinner. Address: Research Barriers in the South - Dr. Wilson Gee, University of Virginia.

8:00 P. M. - Business Session: Continuation of discussion of Constitution, other problems of organization, and policies. Reports of committees.

April 21

9:00 A. M. - Final business session to conclude organization plans.

14-24

THE SOUTHERN SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY

ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

L. M. Bristol, *University of Florida*
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Committee on Resolutions, Chairman,
R. F. Bellamy, *Florida State College*

October 28,1935.

14-24-107

Dr. William E.B. Du Bois,
Department of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. Du Bois :

It is agreat pleasure to receive your membership acceptance in the Southern Sociological Society. I am forwarding information sheet and check to Dr. Vance,the Secretary-Treasurer. Let me express my pleasure in receiving the application.

We are bending every effort to make the Society a real success. The Knoxville organization meeting was so well attended and the response was so enthusiastic that I feel constrained to believe that we have started at the right moment and that we may well look forward to a thriving organization.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

E. T. Krueger

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November 1, 1935

To Friends and Members of the
Southern Sociological Society:

The letter brings a message, first, to the many scholars and professional men and women who because of their interests ought to be members of the Southern Sociological Society, and secondly, to those persons who have already sent in membership acceptances.

Our Society, as you know, is but newly born. It is only a little more than six months old, but it is a lusty youngster, pulsing with vital life and plans for the future. Its birth comes at a significant time, when deep underlying movements impell social changes and are fraught, for those who discern, with grave problems and dynamic possibilities. It is a time when we feel the urgent need of catching the drift of things, of knowing what these social changes portend, and of touching minds which seek new insights and sound approaches to this stirring age.

We of the South face problems unique to our region, problems which are of moment to the well being and future strength of our people and our institutions. We would be remiss in the responsibility which is ours by virtue of position, training and ability if we failed to grapple with these problems through studies and researches so utterly necessary for enlightened and intelligent social policy. Standing alone we halt or fail of perspective; exchanging opinion and pooling ideas we gain new impulses to apply ourselves and new penetrations of difficult matters. Every man and woman of us has something to contribute to the solution of regional problems and all of us have need of fresh viewpoints. A thriving, eager Southern Sociological Society means better and more certain teaching or administration; it means revitalization in making studies and in publication output of valuable contributions; it means clearer insight and sounder conclusions in our ideas concerning the Southern region and the social order in general.

Not least, in thinking of a regional Sociological society, is the very great personal need for fellowship and friendly contacts with those whose interests are mutual and compelling. Our yearly gathering will provide just that touch of human and professional relations we so much desire.

Our Society, hence, meets a long felt need. The parent society, the American Sociological Society, is anxious to promote regional organizations in order to stimulate social studies. The interests and benefits of the parent and regional societies are, therefore, mutual and reciprocal.

Economics and Political Science already have strong Southern societies meeting annually. History, recently organized, had 150 delegates at its first meeting held last week in Birmingham. The Sociologists will wish to share in this development of Southern social science societies.

The Executive Committee of our Society is perfecting a strong program for the first annual meeting to be held in Atlanta next April. Details of program and dates will be forthcoming before very long. We are looking forward to a great gathering at Atlanta.

Our immediate task is to perfect our membership. Thus far some ninety persons have joined the organization. We ought readily to secure several hundred more. If you have not already joined, will you not fill out the enclosed membership blank and send in the modest dues of two dollars? To do so will place you strongly in back of the movement and by so much assure the successful accomplishment of the objectives which I have tried to state. Joining now you become a charter member of the Society, an honor of which you will be proud in the years to come. The constitution has been printed and widely distributed. If you failed to get a copy, note the fact on the membership blank, so we can mail a copy to you, or indicate the fact to me or to the Secretary and one will be sent immediately.

14-24.

Your officers count strongly on your interest and support through membership. Your response at this time will be deeply appreciated and will give the Society that strong encouragement which will carry it to a fine success. Mail the information sheet and dues to the Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Vance.

Hoping to hear from you personally and to meet you in Atlanta in April, I am,

Sincerely yours,

E. T. Krueger

E. T. Krueger

P.S. I wish you could have the opportunity to read the many letters of enthusiastic approval concerning the organization of the Society which fill my files. We are evidently organizing at just the right time.

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List of Charter Members of the
Southern Sociological Society

I enclose $2.00 for dues for active membership in the Southern Sociological Society to May 1, 1936.

Name _____

Address _____

Position or Professional Work _____

Institution, Organization, etc. _____

Chief Sociological Interests: _____
teaching, civic, welfare or other
professional interests

If teaching, list courses _____

Research interests _____
or projects

Shall we send you a copy of the printed constitution? _____

14-24

SOUTHERN SUMMER SCHOOL
for Women Workers in Industry

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Arnold, Md.

applications for appointments

Atlanta, Georgia.

February 9, 1935

14-16-28
8-21-41

Dr. W. E. B. Dubois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Dubois:

Mr. George Streator has spoken to me a number of times about ways in which you might assist us in planning for workers' education among negroes of this section. I shall be very glad if I could talk with you some time before I leave Atlanta Monday evening, February 11. A message left at the Piedmont Hotel where I am staying will reach me. I shall be glad to meet you oh Monday at whatever time and place is convenient to you.

Sincerely yours,

Louise Leonard McLaren

(Mrs.) Louise Leonard McLaren

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

62-91-41

February 14, 1935

Mrs. Louise L. McLaren
SOUTHERN SUMMER SCHOOL
FOR WOMEN WORKERS IN INDUSTRY
Arnold, Maryland

My dear Madam:

I am very sorry indeed that I did not have the opportunity of talking with you while you were in Atlanta. I had to go to the infirmary with a severe cold and when I got out it was too late to see you. If I can be of any service in any way, I should be very glad.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

14-23-18

F. D. BLUFORD, PRESIDENT

E. R. HODGIN, SECRETARY-TREASURER

The Agricultural and Technical College

of North Carolina

GREENSBORO, N. C.

December 20, 1935

Dr. W. E. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. Du Bois,

On my return from the N. C. C. Conference held at Atlanta last week, I found your letter on my desk, and in reply I wish to say that I heartily agree with you that the time is ripe for the project mentioned in your letter.

I shall be glad to contribute something in the form of an article on the subject of the "Negro in Agriculture". I hope this is what you had in mind, and that it will meet your approval.

Yours very truly,

M. F. Spaulding

M. F. Spaulding,
Director, Agricultural Department

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[SPELMAN COLLEGE]

MEMORANDUM TO PRESIDENT READ
FROM DR. DU BOIS

14-13-29

January 7, 1935

Mr. Reid and I need a room with tables and chairs for fifteen persons in order to carry further the tabulation of the budgets collected by the F.E.R. workers. I would be glad if you could arrange this at your earliest convenience.

W.E.B.D.

Arranged -
in L.S. 305

WEBD/DW

F.M. Read

SPELMAN COLLEGE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
ATLANTA-GEORGIA

14-13-28

October 4, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

Will you please admit today to your class in Economic History of the American Negro

Miss Jamie Watson Reddick
Miss Juanita Reddick.

I should like to talk with you about their qualifications for taking this course and will do so today or tomorrow. But I should like to have them admitted to the class today.

Sincerely yours,

Florence M. Read

Dr. W.E.B.DuBois
Atlanta University

FMR:em

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 4, 1935

14-3-47

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44th Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

I have this morning received this notice from the Banking Department with regard to the Mercantile Bank and Trust Company. Can you attend to this and advise me?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Feb. 6th, 1935.

14-3-48

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear DuBois:-

Your letter of Feb. 4th, enclosing letter from the New York State Banking Department dated Jan. 26th, 1935, reached me this morning.

I got in touch with the writer of that letter and he is to let me know within the next week or so if the Department is willing to accept the offer which you made in settlement at the time of your examination. I assume that you are still prepared to pay this sum if the Department will accept it.

Please let me know at your earliest convenience if you are in a position to send the full amount of your offer upon notification from the Department.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-3-49

February 8, 1935

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

Thank you very much for what you have done. I have kept in the savings bank a sum sufficient to cover the amount mentioned, and it can be produced at any time.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 14, 1935

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

I am going out-of-town Saturday for lectures in the North--Chicago, Minneapolis, Toledo and Detroit. I can be reached at 4809 Indiana Avenue, Chicago, until the night of Thursday, the 21. After that, I shall be addressed here, where I arrive the 25.

14-3-50

Meantime, I am sending to Mrs. Du Bois a blank check on my savings account, and she has the bank book, so that she can procure for you any sum up to $500 that you may need to settle up with the state.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Feb. 25th, 1935.

Re Mercantile Bank vs. DuBois

14-3-52

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Box 356,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

Your letter of Feb. 14th reached me in due course, but as I had not heard from the person in charge of the liquidation of the Mercantile Bank I did not reply earlier. This morning, he rang me up.

You may recall that you made an offer of $400.00 in settlement. He told me that he would not accept this, but must have $750.00. After considerable discussion, he agreed to ask the Court to accept $500.00 and he assured me that it would probably go through on that basis. However, to effectuate this, it will be necessary for me, on your behalf, to make a formal offer of the $500.00, and at the same time, accompany that offer with a partial payment, which will be held in escrow pending the acceptance thereof.

Under all the circumstances, I think it will be to your benefit to settle it for $500.00 and I suggest that you write to Mrs. DuBois, asking her to send me $500.00. at once The check should be made in my name, so that I can make a payment upon account, and also send the balance of the offer, if accepted.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-3-53

February 27, 1935

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

Much to my regret, I have got to bother you again. I do hope that you will send me a bill that will at least cover your expenses in these matters.

I am appending statements as to the two matters.

I have not heard yet as to the note at the bank and shall be glad to whenever there is any news.

I have just returned from a lecture trip in the West covering Chicago and five other cities.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosures 4.

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ENCLOSURE NUMBER 1.

In my state income tax for 1933, I reported $472 for stenographic help outside of what the University furnished, and $702 for books and equipment. This was spent for my work on Reconstruction. The expense for books was partially old documents and new books, and partially the cost of transporting the books down here, and shelving them. These deductions have been disallowed on the ground that they are capital expenditure. There is, of course, some basis for this, I presume, so far as the books are concerned, but certainly none as far as the stenographic help is concerned.

14-3-34

I had to hire several extra persons and rent typewriters for transcribing documents and verifying quotations. The chief point is, of course, that this was not a profit-making business, and that the book that I was writing does not belong to me but to Harcourt, Brace and Company. I am paying the extra assessment under protest.

Will you advise me as to how the protest should be worded?

February 27, 1935

x

Night letter

Telegram

Western Union

(Charge to Atlanta University.)

14-3-57

March 1, 1935

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

Have sent you today air mail check for Three Hundred Dollars Stop

Mrs Du Bois will hand you balance Monday

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 1, 1935

14-3-59

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

Mrs. Du Bois will hand you $200 from my thrift account in New York, and I am enclosing a check for $300 to be applied to the bank note.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

March 4th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Box 356,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

14-3-55

Upon my return to the office this morning after a brief illness, I found your letter of Feb. 27th with its enclosures.

As to the matter of the apartment at The Dunbar, I can give no opinion without first seeing the lease and the other papers and to-day I am writing to Mrs. DuBois for them. After I have had an opportunity to examine these, I shall write you further.

As to the Income Tax matter, I do not deem it wise at this time for you to pay the additional assessment. In the first instance, I think it would be better for me to take the matter up with the Department, as your attorney, and I am to-day writing a letter to it, asking it to change its ruling as to the $472.00 for stenographic help, and also making a plea for some allowance to be deducted from the $702.00 for the books which they claim are a capital expenditure. I believe they are right insofar as the purchase of the books is concerned, but you might possibly have some claim for the shelving and transportation. Accordingly, will you please let me know at your earliest convenience the amount that you paid for transportation and the amount that you paid for shelving.

I doubt very seriously whether they will allow any claim on the $702.00, but there is no harm in asking for it. There is also a serious question as to your right to deduct the $472.00, as this was not incurred in the performance of those duties which you reported as the result of your entire earned income.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

March 4th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Box 356,
Atlanta, Ga.

Re Mercantile Bank vs. DuBois

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

Last Saturday, I received a check of $250.00 from Mrs. DuBois and this morning I received your check of $300.00. Evidently through an inadvertence $50.00 more than necessary was sent. I shall adjust this as soon as the matter is disposed of. I received a letter from the Banking Department under date of Feb. 27th, reading as follows:-

14-3-58

"We refer to telephone conversation had with you on Feb. 25th, 1935.

Your offer of $500. in cash to compromise the indebtedness of W. E. B. DuBois and Nina G. DuBois, on a note made by W.E.B.DuBois and Nina G. DuBois in the sum of $1,500., due April 6, 1931, will be acceptable to us, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

Before we petition the Supreme Court of the State of New York for approval of the compromise, it will be necessary for you to deposit with us the sum of $250.00, to be held in escrow, subject to the final acceptance of the offer."

I sent a check for $250.00 to the Superintendent of Banks, under the terms mentioned in his letter. I assume it will take a little time before he gets the necessary consent from the Supreme Court, but as soon as I hear from him with respect to this, I shall write you further.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 8, 1935

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

14-B-25

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

Enclosed is an itemized statement of the cost of transporting and installing my books at Atlanta University. My duties here were teaching and writing. For ordinary correspondence, etc., the secretary was furnished, but for preparing the manuscript on Reconstruction, copying, checking references, etc., I had to make this extra expenditure of $472, which comes under the head of stenographer and clerical help.

It seems to me that if the state is going to regard my work of writing as a business, then this certainly comes under the expenses of the business.

I hope you are fully recovered.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

P.S. You will note in Enclosure I. of my last letter that I have already paid this assessment because of the mounting interest cost, and because it is expressly stated that payment does not preclude appeal. I paid $37.33 by check, Number 202, on the Dunbar National Bank, February 27.

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

March 8th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Box 356,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

14-3-59

Since writing you last, Mrs. DuBois brought to my office the lease and some other papers with reference to your apartment at The Dunbar. The latest correspondence, Mrs. DuBois tells me, she does not have and that it is in your possession. However, from the material I have before me, it is evident that your lease does not expire until Jan. 31st, 1936. Your lease automatically renewed itself on Jan. 31st, 1934 to Jan. 31st, 1935, when you failed to give notice in accordance with Article IV, Section 12, of the lease, which provides for a ninety days' notice of termination of lease.

Under Chapter 576 of the Laws of 1934, it was provided that the ninety days' notice provided for in Article IV, Section 12, was not valid unless the landlord, at least fifteen days and not more than thirty days, previous to the time specified for the furnishing of such notice should have called attention to the existence of that provision and, therefore, you might have been in a position under this amendment of the law to have moved out at or before the termination of your lease, irrespective of whether or not you gave the ninety days' notice, if the landlord had not served the notice provided for in the amendment. However, when you continued to remain in possession of the apartment after Jan. 31st, 1935, you became, what the law calls, a hold-over tenant, and accordingly bound by the lease for one more year under its terms and conditions.

As to the cost of redecoration and the restoration of the apartment to its original setup, the figure for the latter does seem high. Among the papers Mrs. DuBois gave me is a letter from you to Mr. Bruce dated Dec. 17th, 1927, which seems to indicate that the original cost of the alterations was $396.00. As everything is cheaper now than in 1927, I should think that his estimate of $470.00 is excessive. On Oct. 11th, 1930, Mr. Bruce submitted to you an estimate of $137.32 for the cost of one coat paint job of the two apartments. As after the reconstruction, it will probably be necessary to put on two or three coats, the estimate of $180.00 for decoration may perhaps not be excessive.

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois (Cont'd.) March 8th, 1935.

14-3-60

Under your lease, your landlord has the absolute right to make repairs at his uncontrolled discretion and I fear that you are at the landlord's mercy. I do not know what you can do further than to ask Bruce to permit you to get an estimate of your own from a reputable firm for the contemplated work and ask him as a favor to let your man do the work, or else ask his man to meet your man's estimate. I realize that this advice is not particularly helpful, but it is all for the moment that suggests itself to me.

If I can do anything further for you in this matter, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 15, 1935

14-3-26

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

I have had the enclosed correspondence with Bruce, and I am sending copies for your information.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosures 2.

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

March 18th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

Your letter of March 15th with its two enclosures has just arrived.

If you have not already done so, I suggest that you write at once to Bruce, asking him to take up the matter of the cancellation of the lease with the Directors. It may not do any good, but it cannot do any harm. At the same time, you might ask Bruce to send you the specifications. When you receive them, you can get an estimate from a reputable contractor to submit to him if the estimates are less than those submitted by Bruce.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

14-3-27

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 22, 1935

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

14-3-28

My dear Sir:

Your letter of March 18 has been received. Dr. Du Bois is at present attending an "Economic Conference of the Negro in Texas" at Prairie View. I am forwarding your letter to him.

Very sincerely yours

Secretary to Dr. Du Bois

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

April 8th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-3-29

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

Your letter of April 4th has just reached me and I return herewith your proposed letter to Mr. Bruce.

Mr. Bruce's letter to you constitutes an agreement, permitting you to cancel your lease as of June 30th, 1935. Your reply, suggesting a change, would automatically release him from this agreement. I therefore suggest that instead of this letter you write him one, saying that you accept his proposition and will move at the time suggested if necessary, but that it will be inconvenient for you to move then and you would appreciate his permitting you to move on July 31st, and asking if that is agreeable. In the letter, however, I would make it clear that you will move on June 30th, if he does not grant the concession.

I am glad to hear about the grant, although I am sorry that it wasn't larger. When you come up in June, I shall be glad to show you what books I have on the subject and loan you whichever ones you want.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure.

Arthur B. Spingarn

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

April 22nd, 1935.

Re Mercantile Bank & Trust Co. vs. W. E. Burghardt DuBois and Nina G. DuBois

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

14-3-30

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

Supplementing my letter of April 2nd, I beg to advise you that by Order of Mr. Justice Salvatore A. Cotillo dated April 13th, 1935, the Superintendent of Insurance was authorized to settle the above entitled action for the sum of $500.00.

To-day I delivered to the attorney for the plaintiff my check of $250.00, which, together with the check of $250.00 previously delivered to him, aggregates $500.00. I received from him a General Release, releasing Mrs. DuBois and yourself from all claims under the note and also a stipulation discontinuing the action. I am filing this stipulation with the Court to-day.

You will recall that Mrs. DuBois gave me a check of the Dunbar National Bank on March 2nd for $250.00 and that on March 4th I received your check for $300.00. This was $50.00 above the amount named for the settlement and I am enclosing my check to your order in this sum.

Please let me know whether you wish me to keep the General Release and the receipts for the $500.00 in my files, or whether you wish me to forward them to you.

With cordial personal greetings, believe me to be,

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

Enclosure

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 23, 1935

14-3-31

Mr. Arthur B. Spingarn
LAW BUILDING
36 West 44th Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Bruce agreeing to let the lease be cancelled July 31. On the other hand, I have not been able to get out of him a copy of the plans and specifications for the alterations to be made. I have written him twice on the matter. Would it be well to write directly to the Board of Managers? I am always a little suspicious of Bruce.

I hope the matter of the note is on the way to a favorable settlement.

How is your health and that of Mrs. Spingarn. My regards to both of you.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 24, 1935

14-3-32

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
BAR BUILDING
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

I am deeply grateful for what you have done in the case of that note, and count myself very lucky. Of course, you ought to have kept that balance as a small return for your own services from year to year. But it was fatal to return it to me.

Please keep the general release and receipts in your files.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

April 26th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-3-33

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 23rd, enclosing copy of Roscoe C. Bruce's letter to you dated April 13th.

I do not think it will be of much use to write directly to the Board of Managers, as it would probably refer the letter back to Bruce. Perhaps when you next write to Bruce, you might mark on his letter "Copy to Board of Managers" and send such a copy. That might stir him ~~up~~ to action.

I do not yet know what the plan letter that Bruce says must be filed is, but you might include in your letter that you will be glad to file the plan letter as soon as you receive a copy of the plans and specifications for the alterations.

When you come up to New York, I hope we shall have the pleasure of seeing you.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

June 19th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-3-36

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

To-day I am in receipt of a letter from the State Tax Commission in reply to my letter of March 15th. The letter states the following:

> " This to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 15.
> For tax purposes, the cost of obtaining a copyright including the cost of all material etc. forms a capital investment which is recoverable in equal annual installments over the life of the copyright. Where the life of the **copyright** is greatly in excess of the period of years in which sales will be made and royalties received and it is possible to establish that such is the fact, the cost may be spread over the useful life of the copyright."

This means in preparing next years income tax return, you should deduct a proportionate amount of the sums expended by you in the preparation of "Black Reconstruction". I do not know exactly how you will determine the period of the useful life of the copyright but probably Harcourt, Brace & Co., can advise you from their experience with similar books.

I return herewith the Notice of Additional Assessment for the year 1933 amounting to $35.22. I am afraid you will have to pay this together with the penalty and interest as indicated therein and I suggest that you send a check promptly.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

SJ:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

Mr. Arthur B. Spingarn
36 West 44th Street
New York, N. Y.

14-3-37

Dear Mr. Spingarn:

I propose to send the enclosed letter to Mr. Bruce. Also I am enclosing his answer to my last letter.

Isn't he a bird?

Very sincerely yours,

s/enc

W. E. B. DuBois

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

Mr. Rosco C. Bruce
Resident Manager
Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments
2894 Seventh Avenue
New York, N. Y.

14-3-38

My dear Mr. Bruce:

I have been going over the specifications for restoring the apartments which I occupy and I want to bring two things to your attention:

First: Page 6 - with regard to plumbing. You have probably forgotten that the sink, tubs and stove were not delivered to us when we took possession of apartment 5G. I assume therefore that you mean that I shall restore the plumbing, etc. for the installation of the tubs, sink and stove.

Secondly: Page 7 - with regard to preservation of surfaces. You require that the walls be given two coats of lead and oil paint in selected colors and the final coat stipled. May I say that only the living rooms were stipled when we moved in and also when we had the apartment done over. The walls of the bedrooms were not stipled.

Do you mean that in spite of this we are to have these walls stipled? Also do you require two coats of paint whether or not the walls need it. Of course, I realize that that would be a final matter of your judgment and yet, as you know, the walls in our apartments are in unusually good condition as they were done over a few years ago at great expense to us. I should suppose that you would be satisfied if the walls were left in first-class condition in the color which you wished and the living room stipled. Nevertheless, I shall be glad to have your judgment regarding this.

Very sincerely yours,

s/ W. E. B. DuBois

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Oct. 5th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Box 356,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Dr. DuBois:-

In Mr. Spingarn's absence abroad, I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 3rd to him. Mr. Spingarn is expected back at the office October 18th, at which time your letter will be handed to him for attention.

Very truly yours,

D. A. Hart

Secretary.

DAW

14-3

December 2, 1935

Mr. Arthur Spingarn
36 West 44 Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Spingarn:

I hope this will find you rested from your summer vacation and ready to enjoy Christmas. I was in town two days at Thanksgiving time, but thought I would not bother you. At first, I thought I would have to bother you about two matters:

My income tax and jury duty, but I went down and saw the income tax people and everything is all right. As to jury duty, I have not been so successful. I keep on getting summons to appear as juror, although I have explained once or twice that I am out of town eight months in the year. This is the last summons and I am attaching a sworn statement to it. Can you help me in any way? Of course, I would be only too glad to pay any expense.

14-3-41

I am going to spend six months in Germany, leaving late in May or early in June. I have an appointment under the Oberlaender Trust. I am going, at least ostensibly, to study the relation of education and industry in Germany. I shall spend a month or two in the principal cities. Any information or advice would be appreciated.

My best regards to you and Mrs. Spingarn.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

Enclosure.

[ENC.]

Sent to Ferguson

December 2, 1935

14-3-42

This is to certify that I am a citizen of New York, resident at 210 West 150 Street, Apartment 3A. Formerly my work was in New York City at 69 Fifth Avenue and I have served as juror from that address.

For the last two years, however, my present work is at Atlanta University and I am absent from New York eight months in the year, from the last week in September until the middle of June. It will be impossible, therefore, for me to serve as juror on account of this annual period of absence.

W. E. B. Du Bois

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Dec. 4th, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
c/o Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of Dec. 2nd with its enclosure. Unfortunately, the letter arrived after Dec. 2nd, the date on which you were to appear under the Jury notice, and accordingly, you are technically in default. The affidavit which you enclosed is not sufficient, but I believe that you can be excused on the following grounds:- (1) That you were not in the City when the notice was left at your New York address; (2) That you were not in New York on Dec. 2nd; and (3) Most important, that you are exempt as a teacher. On the last count, I might be able to have your name stricken from the rolls of the Commissioner of Jurors.

14-3-43

As I do not know all the facts, I suggest that you prepare an affidavit reading substantially as follows, insofar as the facts stated herein are correct:

"STATE OF GEORGIA:
:ss.
COUNTY OF FULTON :

W.E. BURGHARDT DU BOIS, being duly sworn, deposes and says; that he is the person named in the attached Jury notice.

That during the academic year from the period of September of one year to June of the following year, deponent is regularly employed as a Professor of Sociology in Atlanta University, at Atlanta, Georgia, and is not following any other vocation; that his duties as such Professor necessitate his being absent from New York City during such period and for that reason deponent is unable to serve upon the Jury.

That at the time the attached Jury notice was left at the address in New York where deponent's family resides, deponent was absent from the City of New York and was in Atlanta, Georgia, and that on the return day of said notice, to wit:- Dec. 2nd, 1935, deponent was at Atlanta, Georgia, following his occupation as Professor of Sociology in said Atlanta University.

That deponent respectfully requests that he be excused from Jury duty, as set forth in said attached Jury

ARTHUR B SPINGARN
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

36 WEST 44TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois (Cont'd.) Dec. 4th, 1935.

14-3-44

notice and that his name be stricken from the rolls of the Commissioner of Jurors for the County of New York, as he comes within the exemption of Section 546, sub-division 6, of the Judiciary Law.

Sworn to before me this
day of December, 1935."

Please have this form of affidavit copied in duplicate on your University letter paper, omitting any fact which is not correct, and then have the same sworn to before a Notary Public, and forward both copies to me as soon as possible.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Spingarn

[ENC. TO SPINGARN, c. DEC. 1935]

Sent to: Arthur Spingarn

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14-3-45

That deponent respectfully requests that he be excused from Jury duty, as set forth in said attached Jury notice and that his name be stricken from the rolls of the Commissioner of Jurors for the County of New York, as he comes within the exemption of Section 546, sub-division 6, of the Judiciary Law.

Sworn to before me this
day of December, 1935."

W

TROUTBECK
AMENIA
NEW YORK

October 10, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Du Bois:

14-26-79

I am delighted to see signs of life in the Encyclopaedia of the Negro. There is really need for such a work. Whether it can come into existence in the immediate future depends merely on how enlightened American opinion turns out to be. There is no doubt of the essential need of the work itself for American scholarship and American life.

I do not know of any subject in which I can be regarded as expert enough to be considered a useful contributor to the Encyclopaedia. Perhaps in the course of time you may think of a way in which I can be helpful, as I should be very happy to be. Possibly I might write the article (or part of the article) on the N.A.A.C.P. if you expect to include one. In any event, I repeat, I should like to help.

Always cordially,

J. E. Spingarn

J. E. Spingarn

from
J. E. SPINGARN
110 East 78th Street
New York City

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Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

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14-3

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Prag den 28. III. 1935. [SPITZER]

14-2-48

Mr.

William Edward B. Du Bois!

Weit entfernt von Amerika betrachten wir mit innigster Sympathie den mühsamen Kampf des amerikanischen Negervolkes für die Gleichberechtigung, für menschliche Recht — gegen die Lynchjustiz, gegen die Reaktion. Die Bestialitäten der verblendeten Weissen Amerikaners, erwäcken in uns den schärfsten Widerstand.

Wir Juden haben sehr viel ähnliches mit Euch Negeramerikaner. Wir sind zerstreut — ebenso wie Ihr — unter fremden Völkern. Wir leiden unter gemeinsammen Leiden. Der Antisemitismus ist vollkommen identisch mit dem Antinegrismus. Alle Begleiterscheinungen des Antisemitismus finden wir auch im Antinegrismus. Hier die Feststellungen: Der Arierparagraf, welcher nicht nur in Deutschland, aber auch in vielen anderen Staaten Europas geltet — finden wir in Amerika in der Form des Yankee-~~Ka~~ragraf's. Die jüdischen Pogromme ~~wurde~~ in die Neue Welt übersetzt — erscheinen als Lynchjustiz. Die Fabeln vom Ritualmord, welche als Vorspiel den Pogrommen dienten — finden wir in Amerika als Märchen von der „Vergewaltigung" der weissen Frauen — sie dienen als „Inventare zur Lynchsene. — Und so könnten wir weiter vortfahren bis in die kleinsten Einzelheiten.

Diese gemeinsamme Leiden rufen nach einem gemeinsammen Kampf. Es handelt sich hier um dieselbe Perversität in zwei Formen.

Ich will nicht weiter in meinen Ausführungen vortfahren, denn ~~dieser~~ dieser Brief könnte diese Fülle nicht umfassen.

Die Judenfrage ist fast 100% identisch mit der Negerfrage. Es wäre schon an der Zeit eine gemeinsame Weltorganisation gegen den Rassenwahn aller Formen, zu errichten. – Dieser Brief soll den ersten Schritt zur Anknüpfung der gegenseitigen Verbindungen bilden.

Ich studiere den Negerproblem – einstweilen nur aus den Büchern. Habe auch einige Artikel in den hiesigen Zeitungen darüber geschrieben. Teile Ihnen auch mit einiges über mich selbst: Ich bin ein Hochschüler an der prager Universität und studiere Jus.

Ich glaube, dass Sie meinen Ausführungen gut verstanden haben; schade, dass ich die englische Sprache nicht beherrsche. Ich spreche nur deutsch, tschechisch, slowakisch, ungarisch und ein wenig französisch. Hoffe, dass dieser Brief einen Wiederhall erwäcken wird. Ich warte nur an Ihre Antwort und dann können schon die ersten Schritte anfangen. Bitte äussern Sie sich ausführlich über alle diese Probleme.

Falo ich mich nicht an die richtige Adresse gewendet habe, so bitte ich Sie den Brief an eine massgebende Negerorganisation zu überreichen.

Danke Ihnen im voraus für Ihre Mühe.
Bitte schreiben Sie mir jäst früher.
Ich freue mich schon an Ihre baldige Antwort

Hochachtungsvoll

Fridrich Spitzer
Prague VII.
Stud. kolonie na Letné
Tchécoslovaquie

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 26, 1935

14-7-49

Mr. Fridrich Spitzer
Student in the High School
UNIVERSITY OF PRAGUE
Prague, Czechoslovakia

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of March 28. The race problem in America, Germany, the Balkans and Africa, has many likenesses. I tried in 1918 and 1921 to unite persons of African descent the world over in a Pan-African Congress for united effort, but was not very successful.

I think American Negroes in general would be glad to join any world movement to oppose race prejudice.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[1]

Chicago Ills
Feb 22, 1925.

14-27-51

My Dear Mr DuBois:

I had the good fortune to hear you speak at Good (Spl) Shepherd Church, Monday evening.

I am seeking information. In the limited question period, there was not time to take the question up.

I would like to know on what there was

a commodity which Negroes could produce - is there in your knowledge and experience, any group of Negro business men who could handle the manufacture - production of a new article, or any kind.

Is there any set up of Negro business experts who could handle a new production, if one were forthcoming.

Or would you suggest that in order to do or accomplish such a purpose that the promoter - engage or turn it over to the U.S. Government as a production project?

I know of such a possibility and would appreciate it very much if you would write me frankly concerning

whether or not it would
be advisable to contact
the government I have
been advised that it
would be the best thing
to do— what do you think.
Does mail order business
offer much to the group.
In writing you this I might
be on intrusion— if I did
not think you would give me
to any reasonable scheme
of realizing the thing you
advocate. Thank you. Sincere

Yours respectively
(Mrs) C. J. Spurlark
442 - W. 57th Place
Englewood Station
Chicago

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 1, 1935

Mrs. C. J. Spurlark
442 West 57th Place
Englewood Station
Chicago, Illinois

14-27-52

My dear Madam:

The technical knowledge for manufacturing any particular product could not probably be found in any ordinary group of Negroes unless they were trained. Such training, however, is not difficult to obtain.

What you have in mind, however, is not the difficulty of manufacturing it, but rather of what you call "handling" it; that is, of manufacturing it in such a way and putting in on the market so that you will make a profit out of it. It is precisely against such private profit that I am lecturing.

So far as the government is concerned, the government handles no manufactures as such. It does give patent rights and copyrights. I cannot be more specific unless I know exactly about what you are talking.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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(This sent me by Mrs Charlotte Stern, in Oct 1970 - H.A.)

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14-5-01

Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

September 26, 1935

Mr. Bernhard J. Stern
Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences
Columbia University
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Stern:

About three years ago, a number of persons representing institutions of learning and other organizations, met in Washington and laid tentative plans for publishing an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I am enclosing an abstract from the memorandum which these persons adopted showing in general the plan which they had in mind. The industrial depression naturally halted their plans, but it seems now that the time is ripe for trying to carry this project through. We have not as yet secured the sum necessary for the financing of the Encyclopaedia, but we think that the prospects are good.

I have, therefore, been asked by the Board of Directors to correspond with a number of persons whose interests we want to enlist and to ask for their co-operation.

First, I should be glad to know if you agree with us that the time has come when some authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro race in the form of an Encyclopaedia is in demand; and secondly, I want to ask if you would be willing to contribute a short article or articles on some subject to be decided upon later which could be published in the Encyclopaedia. I would be glad if you would suggest the subjects in which you are interested and which you think would be needed in this publication. All the contributors would, of course, be paid at the usual rates.

All this is tentative and no final and definite plans have yet been adopted, but in this preliminary survey, I hope very much I can be assured of your interest and willingness to cooperate in the way in which I have indicated.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

Columbia University
in the City of New York
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

October 12,1935

W

Dr. W.E.B.Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-26-34

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

The Encyclopaedia of the Negro, which you are projecting, interests me deeply, and I shall be happy to collaborate in the realization of its valuable objectives.

I hold myself in readiness to write articles for the Encyclopaedia particularly along the lines of breaking down the myth of racial superiority and inferiority, or to contribute in any other capacity .

I shall be glad to hear from you again when your plans have matured.

Sincerely yours,

Bernhard J.Stern

MISS MARY B. STEUART - 2001 N. CALVERT ST. - BALTIMORE - MD.

11-22-65

Dear Dr DuBois

I have just finished reading "The Souls of the Black Folks". It has stirred me deeply. So just, so fine and so beautifully reasoned.

It has opened to me a side of life I have always felt, but never realized before. I thank

you for giving me this
opportunity

Sincerely
Mary B. Stewart

Sept 26th

October 2, 1935

Miss Mary B. Stewart
2001 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, Maryland

14-22-69

My dear Madame:

I have your kind letter of September 26 concerning my book "Souls of Black Folk". I am glad you enjoyed it.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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January 5, 1935.

William Edward Burghadrt Du Bois,Esq.,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Du Bois:

May I have the honor of having you send me you picture autographed to frame and place in my gallery with ones from ten other illustrious men and women of the world like yourself?

Please accept my heartfelt gratitude for your kindness and may God bless you with greater health,happiness and long life,and may your momentous name shine to posterity for your works.

Please tell me my dear Mr. Du Bois, what do you think of that immortal Paul Lawrence Dunbar and his works? Also of that wonderful man Booker T.Washington and his achievements toward civilization?

With very best wishes, believe me, I wait for your personal and esteemed reply,and beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Sept. 30, 1935

My dear Mr. du Bois —

I am writing you this personal letter in hopes you will not disappoint me this time as I wrote you before but never have from you. Won't you please send me your picture autographed to place in my collection of racial illustrious personages like yourself? Please accept my heartfelt gratitude for your kindness & generosity and may I state that I consider your works wonderfully dramatic & valuable to posterity, especially your recent book.

Please tell me what you think of Paul L. Dunbar, Booker T. Washington, Frederick Douglass, Roland Hayes, Paul Robeson, Langston Hughes, Countee Cullen and their influence? I deeply admire each one. Tell me please who do you think are the 5 greatest persons of the past and present. What do you think of Mussolini, Hitler, Stalin, Hearst, Father Coughlin, President Roosevelt and Prof. John Dewey, Percy Mackaye, John Haynes, H. G. Wells, Prof. Einstein, M. K. Gandhi, H. L. Mencken and their works & Philosophical influence on the world?

I am a liberalist and believe in many things — tell me do you think Races should intermarry! I do. do you agree with Hitler when he says the Jew is more unscrupulous than the Gentile! Which religion do you think is the best? do you believe in having leaders & not rulers in America? I do.

Would you say that letters from great

"And some have lucky days and these they do not choose,
And some have lucky hours, and even these they lose."—Dryden.

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AUTHOR OF
Roosevelt Battle of '33
Day Dreaming
Great Ink Stains
Miscellaneous Collection of Poems

COLUMNIST OF
The Press

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people are great inks stains and valuable to posterity? I think so. What are your thoughts of John 14:1-Luke 16:13 and LUKE 11:10. Do you believe that, Morgan, Ford, Rockefeller, duPont, Vanderbilt and Morgan own the country? I do. Do you believe that for never yet was success, but it commenced with failure? I do. Do you believe that man is like March weather, savage & serene in one hour? I do. Do you believe that some minds are forever restrained from ascending into fame while others are forever prevented from ascending out of it? I do.

In closing I wish to thank you very sincerely for your attention and shall await for your personal & early reply.

With kindest regards & best wishes to you for health, happiness & long life, believe me, I am

Very sincerely yours

Robley Durham Stevens

"ANYTHING THAT YOU DO THAT THE MAJORITY DO NOT DO IS QUEER—QUEER, ISN'T IT?"—B. J. PALMER.

14-1-15

October 8, 1935

Mr. R. D. Stevens
5412 Kingsessing Avenue
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Stevens:

I am sending you herewith a photograph. If you wish a larger one you can get one from Scurlock, Washington, D.C. The Negroes whom you name are all interesting and valuable characters. Of the white men whom you name, I have especialy regard for President Roosevelt, Professor John Dewey, H. G. Wells, Professor Einstein and Gandhi. I think that Mussolini and Hitler are pests and Coughlin of very little weight.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure herewith

[Anson Phelps Stokes]

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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

Atlanta, Georgia

Introducing Mrs. Huxley

H 200 b. 135 (Room 204)
N.Y. City.

ANSON PHELPS STOKES
LENOX, MASSACHUSETTS

September 15, 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:

This note will introduce our friend, Mrs. Huxley, whose husband was a grandson of the great scientist.

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Mrs. Huxley has recently published through Macmillan a biography of Lord Delamere of Kenya Colony, where she was born. The Native problem in Kenya has interested her greatly and she is in this country with a view to studying our race problem, being specially interested in Negro potentiality and development. I have told her that she should by all means see you, and have been consequently glad to give her this note of introduction.

Sincerely yours,

Anson Phelps Stokes

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

Spelman College
Upton Home

Dear Dr. DuBois:

After leaving you yesterday I thought over your various suggestions for getting consideration for my young friend and decided to have him apply simultaneously in several directions. I have written to President Hope, President Archer & have turned over a note for this to Miss Read and I have written to Stanley Florant (435 Convent Ave., N.Y.C.) suggesting that he send in an application to Talladega, and possibly Tillard - What do you think of this latter suggestion? Could you find it in your heart to send

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a note to the dean of Tulsa by saying you have heard of this young man and if his application comes in asking that he give it some consideration before dropping in the waste basket. whether or no they have any vacancies in the line of his interest — architecture — mathematics and he has done a lot of work in dramatics, shop, radio and physics.

And if you approve of Dillard can you suggest any avenue of approach there for either him or me?

Thank you for whatever help you can give us.

Faithfully yours,

R. L. Stone

March 1st 1935

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211 West 149th St
5-A
New York, N Y
February 5, 1935

Dr W E B DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr DuBois:

Somebody in Atlanta did me out of my part on the program and gave it to Ira Reid. It they like that sort of thing, they are welcome. Of course it means that I could not come to Atlanta.

Mrs DuBois was talking to me about the possibilities of getting work in Atlanta. As you know, I am not interested in teaching school. It is true that my financial condition is very bad, but it also true that I see no need of going to the expense of taking a job South when I know that no matter how well I do my work, I will not be secure in it for more than two years. As for work here, I am in a rather hopeless situation, due primarily to the bankruptcy of the Socialist Party, intellectually, ideologically, and financially. Mr Thomas is more interested in seeing me go South and forget it. I would cease being a thorn in the flesh of the moderates.

We are waiting to see the "credo" you promised to allow us to publish. We are assembling some good material, but it is remarkable how difficult it ~~is~~ is to get people with ideas to put them on paper. Of course we have no money to pay anything except the printer.

Have you read "Man's Fate", a not bad novel of revolutionary China? Also I recommend Matthew's and Shallcross, "Partners in Plunder" for an excellent study of the American business man and his insatiable desire for profits.

Your Atlanta program cannot escape the implications of the Labor Party that is likely to be born within a few years. I do not think that your old philosophy of "rewarding friends and punishing enemies" has any value at present even within the framework of opportunistic immediate demands. It always seemed to me that the rottenness of Langston in perverting the Negro labor movement into an adjunct of the Republican party in the 1880s should not be allowed to happen again.

The New Deal is busting up. I hope it will not lead to the addition of Robert Weaver to the Atlanta faculty, although that will probably happen in time. The "big boys" like him.

Sincerely,

George Streator

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February 15, 1935

Dear Dr DuBois:

Is it true that any of the following things happened in Atlanta recently, to the best of your knowledge? If they are not true, I am eager to know it, and if they are, rather glad to know it.

I was told that the lecture series scheduled for Atlanta by the League for Industrial Democracy was scheduled to be held in a certain white church;

That the church was visited by some moronic order or other, and told that unless the Negroes were SEGREGATED, the meetings could not be held;

That the Committee in charge refused to promise SEGREGATION;

That the church would not open to them;

That the first speaker, Harry Laidler was able to meet only a few people in a private home;

That the second speaker, Powers Hapgood met under the same conditions;

That the same Committee refused to have SEGREGATED meeting, and was trying to find hall to hold meetings;

That CERTAIN LEADING NEGROES were afraid that race relations in Atlanta would be set back several years if the meetings were held;

That the Committee plans to go ahead with the meetings.

I went to see the movie (English-produced) of Feuchtwanger's "Power", or "Jew Suss", down on 14th street tonight. I was terribly moved by that picture, inspite of its maudlin treatment of the virtues of race. I was moved in this regard:

That NEGRO LEADERS - that is, small business men and traders - are a petty lot, not unlike the small trading Jews of this and other ages; that the race problem will never be settled by enlarging the petty interests of small Negro business men, because these petty fellows will compromise through a rationalization of their self-segregation. Those who eat by virtue of the ghetto, be they black or white, unconsciously work for its perpetuation.

At the dinner the NAACP gave for Arthur Spingarn, at $3.50 per plate, Houston was heckled with "greetings from Crawford". It must have bee n ghastly, but I doubt if the morons assembled there were moved by the weight of the thing. I am sure Mrs Alexander must have been moved to denounce. And so it goes.

Very sincerely yours,

George Streator.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 27, 1935

Mr. George Streator
211 West 149th Street, Apartment 5A.
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Streator:

I find your letter of February 15 here on my return from a trip to Chicago, Minneapolis, Detroit, Toledo, and other places in the West. I do not know the details of what happened at Wesley Memorial Church but so far as I know, these are the facts:

Wesley Memorial Church for the last few years has had L.I.D. lectures and the audiences have not been segregated. I have spoken there at an Institute with white and colored students. This year, when the L.I.D. lecture series began, it was announced that the audience must be segregated by color. Whether this decision came from the church authorities or was imposed upon them from without, I do not know. At any rate, the L.I.D. refused to submit to it, and I believe the series has been suspended, at least temporarily.

I have not heard that any Negroes advocated the segregation but it is possible that some did. Certainly, on the other hand, most of the Negroes that I have any contact with regretted very much the recent decision of the church to segregate audiences.

The difficulty about the small Negro businessman is not that he perpectuates segregation; that is a minor matter, and on the whole necessary in his case. The difficulty is that he expects to profit by exploitation of Negro labor, while as a matter of fact the profit from Negro business ought to go to the consumer.

My best regards to you and your wife.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 28, 1935

Mr. George Streator
211 West 149 Street, Apt. 5A.
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Streator:

Enclosed is a play of mine. Read it and try it on some of the radical theater groups if in your judgment it is worthwhile.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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[INCOMPLETE]

SIDNEY HILLMAN, GENERAL PRESIDENT

JOSEPH SCHLOSSBERG, GENERAL SEC'Y-TREAS.

Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America

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NORFOLK, VA.

Apr 9

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Dear Dr DuBois:

I have never felt like disagreeing with you so completely before, and I find that it is hard to phrase my thoughts, for after all, I owe you a greatvdeal for whatever stimulus to thought I have developed.

Race prejudice outliving the present generation? So what? Is that a reason for creating illusions? But I challenge your argument on these points:

1. There is no such thing as a separate consumers' economy. The best that can be expected is a cooperative system of distribution which will, of course, be unable to affect seriously the question of employment of Negroes. Subsistence homesteads are no soultion. And for that matter, separate TVA socialism; that is, separate from the rest of capitalist development. Nor can one expect social-democracy to be an efficient palliative in a period of decline. These objections can be sustained by an examination of the failure of the Weimar Republic in Germany, the collapse of the Vienna partial socialism, and of course, the doldrums of the English trade union cooperatives. (I wish that you could have heard Harold Laski on the latter, recently).

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2. You count on the Negro middle class to usher in this cooperation. What you need to do, Dr DuBois, is to cease dulling your vision to the fact that the Negro middle class is after all, a lousy minority bourgeoisie of which your late associates at the NAACP should have given you ample proof. Then too, after preaching for forty years to build up Negro business, I do not quite comprehend your incomplete shift to cooperation by these same business trained people. It is true that Harvard business school technique is stupid, but so is the variety of lesser breeds.

3. Mordecai Johnson was talking Ghandi passive resistance and picturing it unconsciously as a morbid blood lust. One could feel that this waste of life which is characteristic of passive resistance could be directed in better channels. But he too, launched a vicious attack on Communism, although at one

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 17, 1935

Mr. George Streator
C/O Amalgamated Clothing Workers
of America
Room208
Royster Building
Norfolk, Virginia

My dear Mr. Streator:

I am glad to have your letter of April 9. I think you are mostly wrong but I shall discuss the matter with you at length as soon as I return from the North Carolina Teachers' meeting.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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14-30-54

My dear Mr. Streator:

I wrote you today but I found I have an hour to spare, and, therefore, I am writing again.

1. The persistence of race prejudice. When I was at your age, I did not expect race prejudice suddenly to disappear, but I did think that under a barrage of facts and arguments, it would in a generation noticeably decline. This has been true in some respects, but the decline has not been nearly as decisive and rapid as I had expected, and I have come to the conclusion that we have got to regard race prejudice in this country as fairly permanent for practical purposes.

2. I am not thinking of a separate consumers' economy. I am thinking of consumers' co-operation in certain opposite things. For instance, there is no reason why colored farmers surrounding Atlanta should not furnish food for the 600 families in the new Atlanta housing project. Then, I am thinking beyond that to certain beginnings of producers' co-operation, like manufacturing, which should use the growing and cheap power, particularly in the southeast. All this is difficult, but with the careful planning of trained and honest persons, I believe that consumers' co-operation and producers' co-operation among American Negroes could be made just as successful as it has been in certain parts of Europe. The protective separatism of the Negro group here could be taken advantage of in economic lines.

3. I do count on a Negro middle-class to usher in co-operation. I count on the fact that not all of the young Negro leaders are selfish and stupid exploiters. At any rate, either we get leadership from the best part of this class, or we get nothing.

4. I have preached Negro business organization, but always with the philanthropic end of business in view, and as I have become more and more socialistic in my thought, with the idea of non-profit Negro business enterprise. It is true that the people who have led Negro business are not fitted by their training to lead co-operation, but they could be retrained, or others couldbe trained.

Mr. George Streator

5. I think that radical reform in the United States is letting itself be hypnotized into extreme communism. I not only dabbled in Marx in the past, I still dabble in Marx. I think he is one of the greatest philosophers of our day. I believe in Marxism, but I do not believe that Marx said or implied that violent revolution must be the solution of our ills under all circumstances, and in all stages of development.

6. Even if it is true that there will be no radical change in America, except by revolution, it would be suicide for American Negroes to lead the movement. Their wisest and only attitude should be watchful waiting, and preparing themselves for such changes as may come.

7. I am not at all impressed by charges of changing my mind and methods. I shall always be willing to change my mind under any circumstances when I see reason to do so, but I shall always have what seemed to me adequate logic back of my changes, and in this logic there will be nothing selfish or self-seeking.

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8. I am perfectly willing to listen to you or to anyone else who brings forward a coherent plan. So far, I have seen none. Your plan, as it seems to me, involves co-operation with organized labor. I have no faith in this. I should welcome just as much co-operation as was freely and honestly offered, as I believe it is in the case of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers. I have always advised Negroes to join unions whenever they could. At the same time, the union movement in the United States, as a whole, is just as petty bourgeois and capitalistic as the capitalists themselves. I see no salvation in that direction.

9. I believe in the masses of Negroes, out of which continually leadership is rising, but after all, it is leadership, and on that leadership we must depend for guidance.

10. The enclosed "Atlanta Creed" represents the latest considered form of my economic philosophy. I am going to hold to it until I see something better. I am going to combine what I said in Washington; what I am going to say in Raleigh tomorrow night, and what I shall say at the Davis conference May 20, in a booklet which will be called "The Negro and Social Reorganization". I am going to firmly base our hope on co-operation, chiefly consumers', partly producers', carried on within the Negro race through segregated activities, partly forced and partly voluntary, and calculated to train the Negroes as socialistic citizens of whatever new state comes out of this depression. I should be glad to have you read the enclosed Creed and criticize it.

There is only one thing in your letter at which I take umbrage, and that is the intimation that I have or will be a tool for "Big boards and foundations." It is pretty easy to voice dirty accusations of that sort, but it is not true, and you know it.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

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April 18, 1935

Dear Dr DuBois:

Leaving here tomorrow, so address me at New York.

I do not think I am wholly wrong in criticizing your Washington address. As I recall, both you and Johnson said in whole or in part:

1. This is no time for philosophy, but for action. After Johnson's speech, your saying that dovetailed, and the crowd who are afraid interpreted it to mean, "Somehow, we can muddle through." Coming from one who had fought for thirty years a theoretical battle against inequality, it seemed to be a rejection of thought in favor of "action". I saw in it a recession to what Chas Johnson has gradually made putrid as "Objective scholarship". After all, what did your experience in Texas teach, if not that the contradictions of the operations of capitalism make for that poverty you described? Then what was your remedy? As far as I could understand, you had none except a derision of the very socialism you have preached all your life. It ought to be pointed out also, that your attitude towards violence is a purely liberal attitude. If the mild program you are preaching, that is, a mild social democratic program, were attempted in Atlanta, or in Texas, you would get as many Negroes killed AIMlessly, as Ghandi has had killed in India to satisfy a childish passion for acting, and a not entirely non-Freudian love of flagellation.

2. Then, too, your attitude towards organized labor is a product of battling craft unionism and its multiple discriminations with words and letters. Your information on the present day labor problem, its possible trends, your information on Southern white labor are on the whole poor. And there is no place for you to learn these things except from the "youngsters" you are tending to bawl out, these days.

3. Your economic thought is too much determined by the notion that the establishment of a Negro bourgeoisie is an essential first step to an ultimate solution. What if the larger white bourgeoisie is crumbling? I went to Hampton the other day. A young Negro teacher of economics was talking about the great field for Negroes in building and operating filling stations. Does he know that there is already 1 to every 87 motor vehicles in the country? He does not. He simply has an injection of race pride.

I am not saying here that the capitalist world in crumbling. I am saying that the monopolies are congealing. If white filling stations owners can't make a living, how will the Negro entrepreneurs make a go of it? They can't. Why quibble on that point.

Consumer organizations? The ~~Britsh~~ British associations flourished under a rising capitalism. Most of the social services and inner-economic organizations you are proposing were adopted through by the English system by the Trade Unions, which are the only effective groups to put them in operation. And yet, your cooperation program would be based on the sympathetic interest of Negroes in themselves. And this is a flimsy interest. I always will recall that the liberals at the NAACP were willing for me to work ninety hours a week for $100 a month. Or that few of the Negro collges have a wage scale; that a top few of the "head men" get the only salary benefits; that the Norfolk Journal and Guide, which is typical of Negro business, pays the family a salary, but experienced and efficient men with wives and children of their own get $15 a week. There is no such thing as a Negro LOVING his race in the matter of capital investment and profit.

And don't forget that the leaders of the English system - the Maddonalds, etc., were the first to sacrifice their interests to keep the system going. I mean, were the first to sacrifice the English laboring masses.

I was particularly chagrined at your complete turning to the notion that a minority group can save itself. If so, why does not the majority group of Chinese save themselves from the minority Japs? Or the minority English? Am I contradicting my self? I am merely trying to learn to say what I know and feel deeply: that no one group can pull apart from world economy, no matter how spiritual and how resolved.

I heard that you were invited to the NC Teachers. And I have a couple of letters from Bennett teachers who were equally hurt over your complete acceptance of the leadership of the stinking Negro middle class.

Of course, so far as local issues are concerned, you have a swell opportunity to urge political action on the matter of teachers' salaries. There is no need to call that communism. The wages have a mean of $56. But if in pointing out the failure of political democracy you destroy all germs of mass action, you have done them an injury.

Having successfully accomplished my task of breaking the ranks of the company union and of signing up Negro workers in the same union with the white workers, and of doing this in face of a stupid opposition from the Negro upper 'clawsses,' I am going home for a little rest, returning here later in the summer.

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George Streator

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 24, 1935

Mr. George Streator
211 West 149 Street
Apartment 5A, C/O White
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Streator:

I have received your two letters of April 9 and 18. As I wrote you, I did not have time to write you at length immediately, but I am writing now.

1. You must not be too impatient at the muddle in colored men's thinking just now. These are difficult times and we are all striving for clarity and for the firm road. Leadership is difficult to obtain, and unselfishness rare, but neither are entirely lacking.

2. Your main questions have to do with (A) The persistence of race prejudice; (B) The helplessness of minority groups.

A. It is natural for Youth to expect changes quickly. In the years from 1896 to the war, I expected that race prejudice in the United States was going gradually to crumble before scientific fact and agitation. I think now that we made some progress and inroads, but I am satisfied that we expected too rapid a solution, and as I said in Washington, it does not seem to me that any person now living is going to see essential change in the attitude of whites toward Negroes. Some change there will be, but race prejudice is going to persist for a long time in the United States.

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If, now, we had reasonable economic independence, we could just wait, even though the waiting took a few generations. But our economic situation is such that while we are continuing to hammer at the false logic of race prejudice and continuing to bring forward scientific fact, we have got to live and earn a living, and therefore the immediate problem is how to do that?

B. I am not convinced of the helplessness of minorities. (1) They can agitate. (2) They can combine with other forces for good. (3) They can take some lines of independent action.

The only possibility of combination that seems fruitful to me today is that which can stress; mainly, combination with the newer forms of trade unionism as contrasted with the older craft unionism. This is the point in your program which is to me most reasonable. But the point that I make is that even there progress is going to be slow, and that in the interim, minorities, like the Negro, must do something for themselves. I am convinced from wide contact with the working people of the United States, North, East, South and West, that the great majority of them are thoroughly capitalistic in their ideals and their proposals, and that the

last thing that they would want to do would be to unite in any movement whose object was the uplift of the mass of Negroes to essential equality with them.

I know that the vertical trade union is against this, and that it is growing in power. I think that Negroes should keep in closest touch and co-operation with it; but I think you exaggerate the rapidity of its growth, and the prospect of its triumph. It represents to my mind, a minority and a small minority of the labor movement in the United States. I hope I am wrong.

C. I am still convinced that the organization of consumers is an immediate program for minorities. I do not mean by this simply consumers' co-operation on the old lines, although I want to use this method. I mean a complete change in that ideology among Americans, both white and black, but especially among colored people, which puts production first and consumption as its tool. I want to get Negroes thinking from the consumers' point of view, which is the only way to gage their real power. A people who spend (even according to Jones' faulty estimate) $185,000,000 a month, have got economic power, and of that there can be no doubt. Now, I propose that they use a new method for protecting themselves by the very segregation of which they are victims; that they concentrate this consuming power for mass buying, elimination of the middle men's profit, and an increasing number of productive operations. I know this is difficult. I know it has vast chances of failure, but I believe it has clear possibilities of success, if it is led by trained men of unselfish character, and if it eliminates the private profit motive.

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3. I believe in Karl Marx. I am an out and out opponent of modern capitalistic labor exploitation. I believe in the ultimate triumph of socialism in a reasonable time, and I mean by socialism, the ownership of capital and machines by the state, and equality of income. But I do not believe in the verbal inspiration of the Marxism scriptures.

First of all, I do not believe that Marx ever meant to say that under all circumstances and at all times, a violent revolution is necessary to overthrowing the power of capitalists. Even if he did say this, I do not believe that it is true, and I am not interested in working out a perfect dogmatic system on the basis of the Marxism brand of Hegelianism. What I want is a realistic and practical approach to a democratic state in which the exploitation of labor is stopped, and the political power is in the hands of the workers.

4. I am a pacifist. I regard with astonishment militarists who agitate against violence; and lovers of peace who want the class revolution immediately. It is quite possible that there have been times in the world when nothing but revolution made way for progress. I rather suspect that that was true in Russia in 1917. I do not think that it is true in the United States in 1935. But whether it istrue or not, Negroes have no part in any programthat proposes violent revolution. If they take part, they will make the triumph for such a program more difficult, and they will bring down upon the mass of innocent Negroes, the united vengeance of the white race. The result would be too terrible to contemplate.

I am, therefore, absolutely and bitterly opposed to the American brand of communism which simply aims to stir up trouble and to make Negroes shock troops in a fight whose triumph may easily involve the utter annihilation of the American Negro. I, therefore, attack and shall continue to attack American communism in its present form, while at the same time, I regard Russia as the most promising modern country.

Mr. George Streator

5. Under any circumstances, and whether I am right in my line of thought, or only partially right, or altogether wrong, I see but one path of salvation for American Negroes, and that is the one which I have been striving desperately for ever since I left the N. A. A. C. P.; and that is to get a growing group of young, trained, fearless and unselfish Negroes to guide the American Negro in this crisis, and guide him toward the coming of socialism throughout the world. I think the path for such guidance leads along the path of consumers' organization, but if I am wrong here, I am perfectly willing to be shown.

I think your worst difficulty is your assumption that no such body of young leaders can be found. You think that they are all bourgeois and reactionary and of the type of those in the N. A. A. C. P. office. I am convinced that you are quite wrong. Streator and Du Bois are not the only unselfish people among Negroes, nor does the fact that a Negro has a first-class college education disqualify him from being among the real leaders of the Negro race. The difficulty is today that so few of this class of young men and women have had any opportunity to hear the truth. They did not get it at all, or only partially, in their college course, particularly if they were trained in reactionary Northern institutions. They are not hearing it today in Southern colleges, for the most part, and they do not get it in social intercourse.

What you are attacking, therefore, is not their character, but their teaching, and what has got to be done is to teach the Negro intelligencia that either we get such a group leadership of the Negro race or we are lost. In this procedure, we are no different from other groups. Karl Marx was not a worker. He was a university teacher. Socialism in the modern world has been led by intellectuals, and while they can be blamed for much of its failure, they must also be credited for most of its success.

This is my present philosophy. I shall change it when I think it ought to be changed, and no jibes from critics will keep me from following in the future as in the past, the truth as I see it.

I have been working on a basic creed, as you know, for sometime. I am enclosing the seventh edition. I shall be very glad to have your criticism of it.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Enclosure 1.

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(12) Culture - Negro

April 29, 1935

14-30-61

Dear Dr DuBois:

I have your letter, and regret that you are interpreting my impatience as purely youthful impetuousness. Not that at all; not even a question of sincerety, etc. Once and for all, while I know that half of the new programs and the followers even, of your new program are rank opportunists, I am still hoping that you have not turned back on all thought in anneffort to take advantage of certain handouts under the New Deal. Frankly, while I am quite able to see that most of this talk about new programs of action for the Negro is proceeding quite logically from (1) The Rosenwald conference, and (2) the Amenia conference, it is nevertheless my fond hope that you will not turn completely back on the energetic years when DuBois stood for clear thought and not for obscurantism.

Your present activity is a recognizable short range program growing out of a desire to see certain jobs under NRA and its many offspring fall into the hands of Negroes. To that end you have made a bargain with yourself which leads you to begin one of the most intense efforts at self deception I have ever witnessed. While willing to grant that there is always a place for immediate objectives, that Negroes must eat, and be clothed and housed, etc., I am certain that you are finding some trouble in convincing yourself that the following are ways out:

1. Subsistence homesteads, which mean "concentration camps", as witness the latest New Deal talk about 5,000,000 permanent unemployed. Can you visualize 5,000,000 permanent unemployed making rag mats, door knobs, and boon doggles, in an effort to build a civilization?

2. A separate Negro TVA at Atlanta, where the colored folk under the aegis of the University will have a small piece of socialism, while at your back door (however remote because of "slum clearance) you have sharecroppers living and dying like dogs. Of course, to the Negro intellectual, these people have hardly counted, although occasionally you used to take up the pen for them.

3. All Negro intellectuals are hoping to work either for relief or in some government job. This is the traditional way out for the Negro intellectual. Postoffice, schools, and now relief. What of the future? Will not these black bureaucrats behave precisely as Britain's Nigerian chiefs & priests? Will not a little 5 per cent serve as a more efficient buffer than say, the Americo-Liberians? for Liberia?

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4. Consumer organization to a peaceful end. What about the very efficient organizations like CR? What have they been able to do? Why with the pressure of intelligence and 50,000 members they could not pass a decent pure foods law, and yet, under the leadership of a group of young Negroes who for the most part are too great cowards to stay out of back alleys to see a cheap movie, you would marshall 12,000,000 poverty stricken Negroes and that thing called buying power. I am unable to grasp your scheme of organization, to begin with. But I can report the reactions your scheme is getting, and I shall later on.

5. The "diplomatic", that is, Booker Washington "hand-out" approach through the great foundations, which, somehow, you are trying to make me believe, are interested in fundamental changes such as catapulting Negroes

14-30-62

2. Your program is singularly like Coughlin's. He will divorce the world and live in a state of economic ononism, and you will divorce the white race, and live in a state of racial-economic ononism.

3. You will denounce bitterly American Communism which simply aims to stir up trouble. This is your key sentence. Suppress it from your other letters. Here is where the fascist trend is unmistakably clear.

You can't have your cake and eat it too. Don't kid yourself by thinking that capitalism is going to hand over industry and sacrifice even 12,000,000 customers for your mild program. How the hell do you suppose the TVA got choked off? What happened in every single power scrap? What happened to the "low-cost" housing? And by the way, Sunnyside development was not a "workers' co-op". Sunnyside was a limited dividend affair like the Dunbar. It was a "fooler" just like the Dunbar, and typical. Not a single voice has ever been raised by you or others in New York against the mental corruption that was encourgged by calling the Dunbar a co-op. Why these tenants are afraid of co-operative milk buying!!!! And not a single tenant with the power to see spoke out in the beginning.

You attack American Communism, but you do not send any of your students out of Atlanta fired with the determination to work in the labor movement which you have talked about but never studied.

I can also attack the American Communist party - get the distinction - but I can do my part in building the labor movement and in fighting Jim-Crow in the labor movement. And I find in all local instances, the educated Negroes who are led by the type of thought I have been criticizing in these pages, are lined up in every single instance (when they are opposed, as they usually are) because they do not know the difference between a trade union of craft workers and a shop union, and because too, for $$$$ they can "be had". It is singularly noticeable, that the "leadership" knows how to support a company union. In fact, it is rather remarkable how well your pet Negro intellectual can discover his class interests!

4. You have not satisfied me that you are working for the ultimate coming of socialism. You had me believing that once, but lately you have almost convinced me that your objectives are hardly removed from the end of your nose. If you are working for socialism, who are you hitting off on an entirely new trail? It can't be because you do not know what is going on in the world. At present, you are in the same camp with McDonald, Thomas, Mussolini (of the days when he was out of power), the Social Democrats, and the Menshiviki of Kerensky's bried regime. You want security, prestige, the good life, and socialism without a sacrifice. And you are easily fooled by flatteress.

5. Yes, you are a pacifist in peace-time, and when war comes you will enter it with vigor when you discover that the race pride of Negroes is being hurt because there are no Negro puppets to lead them to the trenches. This is hard for me to say, but don't forget your last confusion. I am pretty close to this war business, you know. I was at West Point yesterday, and learned plenty. But you would sacrifice millions of Negroes by feeding them taffy. 'Twould be better to feed them nothing. Let them learn empirically.

As I get your program: Socialism is coming. We will work for it separately. We will work for a socialist Negro to be handed over to the movement whe n fully developed. But who are your teachers? Young men brought up on the Foundations and suckled on teaching jobs. Young men and women who have three hours credit in labor history taught by persons who decry the class struggle. In short, you want only conservative young intellectuals who live as they can beg, who abhor violence without knowing that the class in power determines that.

Violence? The CP of USA is led by stupid men, but it is nevertheless a working man's organization. The SP is confused and inept for the reason that its leaders feel just as you are writing and talking. I am sending you the criticism that our group has got out on the SP leadership. Read it. In writing about Violence, you write like an apostle of Abdul Bahia. We are criticized for being the communists that we are, but certainly we are not above criticizing the CP. But in criticizing the CP we are not doing so in the belief that the big interests with their private police, gas guns, etc., are going to say:

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Come here, Streator; you and Dr. DuBois! We are handing over the mass buying power of the exploited Negro. Take it and use it to challenge our power. In order to help you work it out, here is $50,000 from GEB. Make a study of it and train your leaders in Atlanta and Fisk.

Very sincerely yours,

George Streator

14-30-63

14-1-54

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 27th, 1935

Mrs. George Streater
Dunbar Apartments
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Streater:

If Mr. Streater is not home, hold the enclosed letter until he comes, - or if you know the address kindly let me have it.

I hope I shall see you soon.

Very sincerely yours,

s Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

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14-1-55

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 27th, 1935

Mr. George Streater
Dunbar Apartments
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Streater:

I want very much to get again the name and address of the printers of stationery with whom you deal. I have several sets of printing that I want done this summer and I should like to get started on them.

I hope you will come over to see us when you are in town.

Very sincerely yours,

WEBDuB/s

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

SIDNEY HILLMAN, GENERAL PRESIDENT

JOSEPH SCHLOSSBERG, GENERAL SEC'Y-TREAS.

Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America

Affiliated with the American Federation of Labor

VIRGINIA STATE HEADQUARTERS
ROOM 208 ROYSTER BUILDING
TELEPHONE 21937
NORFOLK, VA.

July 7, 1935

Dear Dr DuBois:

I want to add a postscript for emphasis to a recent letter to you.

In Norfolk, an AFofL union - the Amalgamated - has been making a strenuous effort tp organize colored workers along with the white in one union in a particular plant here.

14-30-82

Some headway has been made, but on the whole, in spite of some lip service to the cause, not a single instance has been noted of any unified interest, to say nothing of cooperation on the part of the colored community. On the contrary, there are a dozen evidences of sabotage. Open advocates of the open shop; the usual drivel about "being careful about the AFof L" in spite of the fact that a genuine effort to organize is being made.

I ask again, where are your racial loyalties? The leading business man of the town is opposed to a union because first and last some one will try to unionize him. The leading colored business man gave me the same statement. He thought I should go to Detroit and organize rich Henry Ford instead of stirring up things in Norfolk.

Again I want to know how you arrive at your conclusions that the lower middle class Negro who has absorbed the capitalist ideology will somehow be enlisted for socialism without disturbing his class allegiances? My leading colored business man pays skilled mechanics fifteen dollars a week and fires them if they look like asking for a raise. In public utterances the man deplores the "discrimination against Negro wage earners". Once or twice you listed him among your list of liberals. However, he believes that Dr Moton will influence world affairs, that Booker Washington ranks with Marx and Malthus (!), that Jesus was probably colored. As if that mattered.

You didn't see fit to answer my last letter to you, and I am sure that it's too hot to answer this one. But for me, I am through with any doctrine of "racial solidarity" as a way out. I have watched the capitalist Jews too long, now.

Sincerely,

George Stranton

5J/226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

Mr. George Streater
c/o Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America
208 Royster Building
Norfolk, Virginia

My dear Mr. Streater:

14-20-84

It will be just as difficult to enlist colored business men and students who have received capitalistic education in the cause of Socialism as it is to enlist American labor members of the A.F. of L. in most of the unions. Nevertheless, by education and propaganda, this can be done. It will be slow work, but no one need be astonished or discouraged if the miracle of their conversion does not happen in a month or in a year.

I did not answer your last letter and I do not usually carry on an argument unless there is reason for it. That is: individual understanding of facts or lack of clearness in the opinions expressed. In our case, I do not think there is anything of the sort. I understand your position, I think, perfectly. You believe in Socialism as I do. You think however, that Socialism is coming through the leadership of the workers led by a few men of intelligence like yourself. I believe in the same thing, but I believe that the intelligent leaders need not be confined to a few like you, but can be spread through the young Negroes when they are properly taught. Our difference therefore is a matter of degree and also I think, a matter of willingness on my part to believe in the essential honesty of human beings a good deal further than you do. Your tendency is to think that everybody is a scoundrel who does not agree with you. That may be but it is wisest to wait for proof.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. DuBois

14-23-35

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2816 8th Ave
New York, N Y
Dec. 4, 1935

Dr W E B DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr DuBois:

The ENCYCLOPAEDIA has possibilities so long as it does not fall into the class of past apologies in this line. Under your direction I am sure that the work will be kept on a high plane.

I suggest that more than passing attention be paid to the Negro and his relations to the radical, reform, and labor movements in this country. Nothing within my range of interests could more readily be mustered than such a study. However, I am mindful of the fact that other names take priority over mine in awarding the assignment.

On the other hand, I am afraid that in the end the income and the sources of income at that, will determine to too large an extent the degree to which topics of the nature I have suggested, will be treated.

Very sincerely yours,

George Streator

George Streator

SMITH COLLEGE
NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

March 9th 1926

1-27-17

My dear Dr Dubois.

May I introduce Mademoiselle Paulette Charlin, our French exchange student for this year. Mademoiselle Charlin is a student of Psychology and is specially interested in social problems. Would you be kind enough to tell her something about the Crisis, about your work for the Advancement for Colored People?

I wish I could hear from you sometimes and know what has become of Yolande of whom as you know I was very fond.

Thanking you I am very sincerely yours

Martha Sturm.

Key West, Florida.
218 Angela Street,
3, June, 1935.

Hon. W.E.B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Honorable Sir:

Allow me to both congratulate and commend you on the article you wrote, and which appeared in the June issue of "Current History", under the caption, "A Negro Nation Within The Nation". The fact that your far sightedness and accurateness in evaluating the true status of the Negro's problem marks you as a true leader of our oppressed race.

08-22-41

The problems you elaborated upon are significant, as you said, to say the least. Some of them I have been pondering over for a long while, I might say for the last five years.

You might gain consolation in this fact. I am a Negro boy 20 years of age. Last Thursday at the Fla. A.& M. College I received an A.B. degree. I have been graduated, so to speak, to join the vast army of the unemployed, but I am now attempting to get a scholarship at Howard University, to study Law. If I do or do not, I will not rest until, I enter a Law School. When I enter Law School, I intend to apply myself in such manner that I will be more than competent.

When I shall have finished Law School, I shall dedicate my efforts to the eradication of the evils that you have enumerated in your article. As I said, some of the problems you stated, I thought about, but countless new ones were brought to my attention, and if your article did no more that inspire me further to dedicate my efforts to build a new status for our down-trodden race, it shall not have been written in vain.

Sincerely Yours,

H. Phillsbury Styles,

H. Phillsbury Styles

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

August 30, 1935

Mr.H. Phillsbury Styles
218 Angela Street
Key West, Florida

14-22-81

My dear Mr. Styles:

I have your letter of June 3 and thank you for your kind words.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

A legrégibb és legnagyobb magyar lap Amerikában. — Megjelenik minden nap

SZABADSÁG

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CLEVELAND OHIO

April 29,1935.

Dr.Prof.W.E.B.Du Bois,Esq.

Atlanta University,Atlanta.

Dear Doctor Du Bois,

a few months ago I wrote you a letter from Budapest, Hungary,in which I asked for some pamphlets dealing with the Colored Problem in America.You were kind enough to instruct"The Crisis"office to send me those; what is more,you wrote me a letter and offered your help by answering a few questions of mine concerning the same problem.I appreciate your kindness very much.

I arrived here a few weeks ago.The"Szabadság"/Liberty/, the oldest established and largest Hungarian Daily Newspaper in the U.S. invited me to a position on its editorial staff.Besides,I have to give some lectures for the Hungarian societies of America's largest cities,and I am expecting to stay in the States for at least a few years.

Just before I left Europe I finished a book dealing with the American Negro Question.I have the manuscript here with me but since it is written in Hungarian,it would be of no use to sen it to you. I got acquainted with the problem during my first sojourn here 3 years ago when I decided to write a book on it,after a thorough study of the literature and necessary experiences.This book should prepare a platform for the problem in Europe where people either have no idea about it or are mistaken in their opinion about the American Colored Citizen.

My book,of about 300 pages,under the title "FEKETE HAJNAL" /"Black Dawn"/ is written exclusively and exactly for Europe and deals with the problem from the viewpoints of History/giving an outline of the History of the American Negro from the arrival of the first slave-ship until today/,Politics,Sociology,etc.,and also Arts.I have included 40-50 translations of poems of the best American Negro authors,novel selections, short stories and dramas,and my essays on American Negro Literature,Painting,Sculpture,Music,etc. At the end of the book are an Appendix,biographical notes,comments and a literary Baedeker.

I am in the fortunate position of having connections with the greatest Hungarian and Austrian publishers,through my journalistic work and I would be able to have the book issued in Hungary or in Austria, or both.Several Hungarian editors and publishers seemed to be very much interested in the book,and I have numerous letters asking me about it.

Before I would do anything along this line,I think it's my first duty to let you know about my plans,asking your kind,highly esteemed and most authentic opinion about the whole matter.

My purpose is quite idealistic.I have written more than 100 articles on the Negro Question in different newspapers on the other side.It was not my intention to make money on the book,but if I could,I would offer it to the NAACP or any such recognized organization.I am still

studying the Problem,preparing a second book which would be the continuation of this first,after the"Black Dawn" gave the general ideas of the Problem to the European public and broke ground for the further work.

If you so desire I shall be very glad and very much honored to give you further details either in letter or in a personal interview.

I hope you will pardon me for my poor English,Professor.Indeed,I needed a great deal of courage to write in a foreign language,which I am not thoroughly acquainted with,to one of the most outstanding artists of the English language.

Awaiting your kind answer,I remain

very sincerely yours,

Kit Clayton

Mr.Andor Sziklay c/o SZABADSÁG
1435 E.12th St.
Cleveland,Ohio.

14-1-47

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 4, 1935

Dean J. T. Cater
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama

My dear Dean Cater:

Mrs. R. G. Stone is visiting here. She was Secretary at the Ethical Culture School when Yolande was a pupil some years ago, and we know her as a very fine person.

She has been telling me of a young colored man who graduated there with high honors, and their standards are very high. He is now graduating from Columbia and needs a job. I do not know him at all, but she speaks of him in the highest terms, and I have confidence in her judgment. His name is Florenez, and I believe he is applying at Talladega. I am simply writing to call his application to your attention.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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THIS issue of the *Talladegan* bring to you the report of the Educational Conference held in connection with the inauguration of President Gallagher. We are able to get this report to you by issuing it as a supplement to the May issue of the *Talladegan*. Additional copies for distribution and circulation among your friends may be obtained at fifteen cents each from the sales' room.

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NEW TRUSTEES

AT the annual meeting held on the campus, March 27, three new trustees were elected:

To succeed Mr. Franklin H. Warner, resigned, *Mr. Joseph Fanning Drake,* A.B., Talladega, 1916, President of Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical Institute;

To succeed Doctor Nathan B. Young, Normal, Talladega, 1884, late president of Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Missouri, *Doctor Donald P. Cottrell,* Professor of Higher Education, Teachers College, Columbia University;

To succeed the late Doctor Augustus F. Beard, the *Reverend Ashley Day Leavitt,* minister of Harvard Congregational Church, Brookline, Massachusetts.

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COMMENCEMENT

THE events of Commencement Week are being concentrated in a week-end period this year with the expectation that larger numbers of alumni, parents, and friends will find it possible to be present Saturday, Sunday, and Monday than have found it possible to attend the protracted sessions of former years.

Friday, May 31, 8 p.m.—High School Commencement.

Saturday, June 1—"Alumni-Senior Day."

10 a.m., Business Meeting of Alumni Association.

12:30 p.m., Alumni Banquet.

3 p.m., Presentation of Senior Class Gift.

3:30 p.m., Ball Game.

8 p.m., Alumni Public Meeting, DeForest Chapel.

9 p.m., Alumni Dance.

Sunday, June 2—Baccalaureate Sunday.

10:30 a.m., Baccalaureate Service.

4 p.m., President's Reception for the Senior Class and their parents and friends, and Alumni of the College.

8 p.m., Music Festival, DeForest Chapel.

Monday, June 3—Sixty-seventh Commencement.

9:30 a.m., Academic Procession.

10 a.m., Commencement Exercises, Address by The Reverened Robert Wood Coe, D.D., Minister of Leyden Congregational Church, Brookline, Massachusetts.

The college will undertake to provide room and meals for all who give advance notice of their intention to attend this Commencement Season.

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COLLEGE PULPIT AND CHAPEL

THE College pulpit has been occupied this winter by many interesting and inspiring men, whose messages would be a treat to any audience. Talladega College desires that religion may be presented in its truest and most appealing form, that intellectual difficulties may be overcome and the social values in religion be found.

President Edwin B. Dean of Doane College preached on January 10.

Dr. Bruce Curry of Union Seminary, New York City, was the distinguished college preacher in February. He spoke in chapel several days and to the Interracial Conference of the Y.W.C.A. and Y.M.C.A.

President Willis J. King of Gammon Seminary, Atlanta, preached March 3.

Rev. Eric Thomsen spoke March 10. He is Director of Religious Work under the TVA at Norris, Ala. With him was Dr. Max Bond, son of a former pastor here. Dr. Bond has charge of Negro Welfare work at Norris.

Dr. George L. Cady of the A.M.A. occupied the pulpit April 14 and also gave a scholarly illustrated lecture on the Indians.

Rev. Wallace Anderson of Faith Church, Springfield, Mass., was the college pastor at the end of April. With him were his wife and little daughter.

Other distinguished speakers have been heard in chapel recently. Among them was Dr. Hubert Herring, one of our best-known Congregational leaders, who spoke on the social problems of the Church. Dr. A. E. Holt of Chicago Seminary was another speaker, coming with a delegation from the Seminary on a Southern trip. Dr. Jay T. Stocking, Moderator of the General Council of the congregational Church was heard one day.

Special Weeks have been observed as usual —Negro History Week, Drama Week, and Health Week. Special chapel services were held Holy Week with addresses by President Gallagher, and a Communion Service on Thursday evening.

Music Week is to be observed the first week in May with orchestra, chorus, vocal and instrumental solos.

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LECTURES AND RECITALS

MR. Robert C. Weaver (Ph.D. Harvard), advisor to the Secretary of the Interior, lectured here January 31 and gave a very illuminating discussion of the NRA, especially in relation to the Negro. At the close of the lecture, the speaker answered many questions.

Mr. George S. Schuyler, newspaper columnist for the *Pittsburgh Courier,* lectured here March 25, his theme being the fields open to the Negro.

Dr. James Weldon Johnson lectured April 8 on the subject, "The Creative Genius of the Negro." He emphasized the folk material of the Negro as far beyond any other in America. Of course we know that settlers from seventeenth century Europe would hardly bring with them folk lore. He gave little credit to the Indian along this line. Dr. Johnson had much praise for Joel Chandler Harris, who so early recognized the value of folk tales and gave them literary expression. The spirituals, Dr. Johnson asserted, pleased him much better in the original forms and rhythms, than in the more elaborate harmonized forms now so common.

The musical programs since January include a violin recital by Louia Vaughn Jones, whose accompanist was William Allen. The first selection was a *Sonata in A Major* by Cesar Franck, followed by *Symphonie Espagnole* of E. Lalo. The last selection was a poem for violin and orchestra by Ernest Chaussen. Mr. Jones is from Howard University, Washington. He has spent seven years in music circles in Paris and is a very finished technician.

The Recital by the Department of Music was given March 27. The program follows:

Sonata No. 1 ..... *Felix Borowski*
Scherzo from Sonata in E minor ..... *James Rogers*
Variations De Concert ..... *Joseph Bonnet*
Beulah L. Stewart
Sonata, Op. 57 (Appassionata) ..... *Beethoven*
Ondine ..... *Ravel*
Prelude ..... *Debussy*
Tourgee DeBose
Arioso ..... *Bach-Franko*
Nigun (Improvisation) ..... *Bloch*
Pantomine
Ritual Fire Dance—El Amor Brujo ..... *DeFalla Kochanski*
La Verne E. Newsome
Consecration ..... *Fonteyn Manney*
Botschaft ..... *Johannes Brahms*
Le Temps des Lilas Ernest Chausson
If You Should Go ..... *Cecil Cohen*
Awake! It is the Day ..... *Cecil Buleigh*
Frank G. Harrison

The *Atonement,* a cantata with music by S. Coleridge Taylor, was given the Wednesday evening before Easter to a very large audience in DeForest Chapel. The solo parts were taken by Miss Florence Cole Talbert of Tuskegee, soprano; Luther King of Philadelphia, tenor; Professor Harrison, baritone, of Talladega; and two students of the music department, Jimmie Burghess and Irene Jackson. It was a performance of unusual excellence.

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DEBATING AT TALLADEGA

THE Kappa Rho Debating Society has been reorganized with all intercollegiate and intramural debaters as charter members and others admitted by try-outs. It has sponsored interclass debates, the cup this year being won

by the Gen. I class. The British system of radio control was debated.

The University of Vermont team visited T. C. March 30 and debated the resolution: "That the Federal Government should adopt the policy of equalizing educational opportunity throughout the nation by means of annual grants to the several states for public elementary and secondary education." It was the Oregon type of debate with no decision. Herman Long and Goode Clark represented Talladega College.

The Pentagonal League Debates were held April 12 on the question "That nations should agree to prevent the international shipment of arms and munitions." Herman Long and John Capps represented T. C. at Morehouse; Willard Ransom and Goode Clark represented T. C. here against Johnson C. Smith.

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TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LITTLE THEATRE

TEN years after the founding, on May 11 and 12, The Little Theatre will celebrate with Hazel Eaton as Chairman. Meeting at 11 a.m., Prof. Voorhees tells of the history, Mrs. Drewry of the work of Prof. Drewry in the beginning, and others have papers. Luncheon is expected at 12:30, toastmaster Willard Ransom, now the president. Former presidents are expected, viz: McWilliams, Simpson, Phillips, Pitts, Logan and Clement. The afternoon is social and for exhibits.

In the evening *The Importance of Being Earnest* by Oscar Wilde will be presented. The leading parts will be taken by Marion English, Nelson Palmer, Willard Ransom, Hazel Eaton, Luevenia Michael, Harriet Ish, and Carrie Allen.

The closing meeting will be on 2:30 the next day when, with other exercises, the main address will be given by Mr. J. M. Ross of the Yale School of the Drama on the subject, The Importance of the Negro College in the Field of the Drama. A grand reunion and a fine time is expected.

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AROUND THE CAMPUS

SOON after the last issue Miss Bernice Hamblin was suddenly taken down with appendicitis and underwent an operation at Goodnow Hospital. We are glad to record her complete recovery in due time.

Secretary George White was here and spoke at the church service, February 10. The Lincoln Day Drive was completed soon after and $185 was contributed by faculty and students in recognition of the day and the cause.

We were pleased to welcome on March 18 a delegation from Chicago Theological Seminary, which was making a vacation trip in the South and which among other things was about to penetrate to the strongholds of Huey Long in New Orleans. The delegation was lead by Professor Arthur E. Holt of nation-wide reputation, professor of Social Ethics at the Seminary, with two other faculty representatives, a Catholic priest of Chicago, and twelve students, among whom was Carleton Lee, Talladega '33. Mr. Lee remained after the others left and spoke on Sunday at the Chapel.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hamlin, who retired last year, have been spending the winter in Tangerine, Florida. We are expecting them here on their return trip to their summer home at Chautauqua.

A Conference of Y.M.C.A.'s and Y.W.C.A.'s of Alabama was held here in February, in which seven colleges, white and colored, were represented. Besides the addresses already referred to, Mr. Frank T. Wilson, National Secretary for Christian Association work, with colleges for Negroes, was with us and assisted greatly in the conference discussions. Mr. Wilson is a graduate of Lincoln U. and is working for his doctorate at Columbia.

What might have been a serious accident is now reported as only an unpleasant memory. Returning from the dedication of the new Congregational Church built under the direction of Mr. Joseph Fletcher in Athens, Alabama, Mr. Gallagher lost control of his car at a bad curve on the highway between Lincoln and Talladega. Mr. Fred Brownlee suffered minor brusies. Miss Ruth Morton, who is about to assume the principalship of Lincoln Academy at Marion, Alabama, escaped without any noticeable injuries. Mr. Fletcher was cut over the eye and badly bruised. Mrs. E. C. Myers sustained injuries to several ribs and a cut on the right forearm. Mr. Gallagher came through with a broken finger and a fractured right wrist. Fortunately there seem to be no serious after effects.

Mr. Clark Foreman, Special Counsel to Secretary of the Interior Ickes, was here Friday, April 26. Arriving in the afternoon he addressed the students at five o'clock, giving a penetrating and lucid explanation of the causes of our present serious economic condition.

On March 20, Mrs. Eliza Lord Jaquith gave her second illustrated lecture from the American Federation of Arts in DeForest Chapel, on American Art. Members of the college faculty and staff have just perfected their affiliation with the American Federation of Arts, of which they are now a chapter.

The officers of the local organization for next year are: Pres., Dr. Peter Cooper; V. Pres, Prof. Isolde Henninger; Treas., Mr. E. C. Myers; Recording Sec., Miss Elizabeth M. Cobleigh; Corresponding Sec., Mrs. Eliza L. Jaquith.

At the competitive examinations at Montgomery of the students of all the Negro High Schools of Alabama, Drewry High School made a fine record. Fannie Ella Frazier stood first, Mary Jane Myers second, and Loice Bell tied for third place.

During Drama Week the Little Theatre gave Ibsen's *Ghosts* very successfully.

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PRIZE CONTESTS

THE annual Avery Oratorical Contest was held on the evening of April 5. Professor Isolde Henniger presided and the two prizes were awarded, the first to Willard Ransom and the second to George Thomas. The speeches were well prepared and well delivered.

The results of the Whiton Essay Contest was announced at this time, the first prize going to Clinton Young; the second, to Herman Long.

Helen Patrick '35 received the first prize in the Little Theatre contest for one-act plays.

The English Club prizes were as follows. For the Short Story: First, Andrew Harris; Second, Carl Nelson. For Poems; First, John McCray; Second, Willard McCleary.

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ALUMNI NOTES

'04 Edward L. Calhoun, (Normal) died March 10 at Talladega.

'27 Edwin Farley is engaged in Relief Work in Atlanta.

'30 Mabel Sherman is instructor in French and English at Stowe College, St. Louis, Missouri. Her address is 4249a W. Labadie St.

'31 Waldo E. Blanchet has a fellowship from the General Education Board for study next year at the University of Michigan. He did graduate work at the Atlanta University after graduation from T. C. He has been teaching at Fort Valley where he is head of the Science Department. The summers of '33 and '34 were spent in study at U. of Mich.

'33 Milton E. Hanna expects to complete his work for an A.M. in Journalism at the University of Wisconsin this summer. He has participated in four intercollegiate debates, one radio debate, and three exhibition debates this year. Has also had employment in F.E.F.A. getting material for the debating squad. Some of his study has been in the fields of economics and political science. His major at Talladega was English.

Our alumni are requested to send us for the next issue, in November, items about themselves and others, especially changes in positions, and summer study. Also we must have correct addresses.

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BASKETBALL ECHOES

C. W. QUICK

BESET by scholastic difficulties among players and faced with a schedule including some of the strongest teams in an unusually strong Southern Conference, Coach Kitchen piloted the 'Dega five to a successful season. Successful—for though losing three out of four games to "Skeegee" and three out of four to the "Bama State Champs" they returned to form even counts with Morehouse and to overwhelm their traditional Nashville rivals, Fisk, in three out of four games.

GAME SCORES

Jan. 1	at Talladega	40	'Bama State	46
Jan. 2	at Talladega	44	'Bama State	38
Jan. 11	at Talladega	38	Tuskegee	29
Jan. 12	at Talladgea	24	Tuskegee	41
Jan. 18	at Talladega	19	'Bama State	23
Jan. 19	at Talladega	23	'Bama State	25
Jan. 25		13	Morehouse	29
Jan. 26		19	Morehouse	28
Feb. 1	at Talladega	36	Tuskegee	40
Feb. 2	at Talladega	25	Tuskegee	30
Feb. 8	at Talladega	31	Fisk	13
Feb. 9	at Talladega	29	Fisk	20
Feb. 15	at Talladega	54	Morehouse	30
Feb. 16	at Talladega	42	Morehouse	25
Feb. 22		28	Fisk	29
Feb. 23		44	Fisk	30
*Mch. 1		45	S. C. State	28
*Mch. 2		19	Morehouse	22

*Tournament play.

The Brookings Institution
722 Jackson Place
Washington, D. C.
March 11, 1935

Mr. Wilbur K. Thomas
The Oberlaender Trust
225 South 15th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Thomas:

In reply to your letter of March 8 about Du Bois' application, permit me to say that I hope you will grant it.

Dr. Du Bois is, as you know, a person of very rarest gifts and a wide influence not only among Negroes but among other people interested in the Negro problem in the United States. He will learn a great deal more that will be of interest to us and to the American community than most other people to whom you could make available such an opportunity. An application from Du Bois to any foundation honors it.

14-30-41

Our whole educational program - not merely that of the Negro - is in a state of flux, and the best of our educators are going through a period of heart burning over the break-down of past efforts, especially in industrial education, and are blindly seeking for light wherever light can be found for the future.

Few people in this country are as sensitive or an intelligent as Du Bois, and your making a small fund available to him might in the end turn out to be the making of a great gift to the United States.

Sincerely,

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Frank Tannenbaum

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

March 14, 1935

14-30-42

Mr. Frank Tannenbaum
THE BROOKINGS INSTITUTION
722 Jackson Place
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Tannenbaum:

I appreciate v ry much the kind letter which you sent to Wilbur K. Thomas.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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14-23-57

C

Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

A. A. TAYLOR, DEAN

November
Twentieth
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Dr W E B Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Doctor Du Bois:

I am pleased to have your letter of November 5th, in which you inclose an abstract from the memorandum adopted by persons who laid tentative plans for publishing an Encyclopaedia of the Negro race. In my judgment, the time has come when such an Encyclopaedia should be published. I shall be greatly pleased to cooperate in the project by contributing several short articles on a subject to be decided upon later.

Sincerely yours,

A A Taylor

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A A Taylor, Dean

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Comments on articles, Marcel Caverno

14-22-25

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

My dear Mr Du Bois —

No doubt you will not remember me — but I have just finished your article "A nation within a nation" and was I in perfect accord? You have so aptly stated all that so many of us think — particularly the younger of us who are interested.

It has given me much amusement — to hear the comments emmenating from both blacks and whites.

Although I had heard much of you it

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was not until the conference at America that I was able to appreciate your worth — and I do hope that you will know that the younger people of the country look to you as a beacon.

I hope you will help us — that is if you can find anything in us worth helping.

11-22-41

With sincere wishes for your good health I am

Most cordially yours

— Thelma-Louise Taylor.

P.S.
I continue to wrangle about Negro literature!

December 27, 1935.

Dear Friend:

I am writing you in the name and at the request of the Scottsboro Defense Committee to know whether you will allow your name to be used as a sponsor of the defense of the Scottsboro boys. We are inviting prominent American folks of the white and colored races, North and South, to render this service. The committee which asks this of you represents all organized groups interested in the defense of the Scottsboro boys. It includes representatives of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the American Civil Liberties Union, the League for Industrial Democracy, the Non-Partisan Labor Defense Committee, as well as the International Labor Defense. The agreement has been most carefully drawn so as to assure concentrated and democratic action solely for the defense of these boys. Samuel S. Liebowitz, the lawyer who had previously argued the case, has agreed to associate with him Southern counsel of standing. We are pleased to announce that Dr. Allan K. Chalmers, a very distinguished clergyman of New York, has agreed to be Chairman of our committee. Mr. William J. Schieffelin has agreed to serve as Treasurer.

14-1

This arrangement does more than end the wrangling which has gravely complicated the defense; it insures a handling of the case worthy of the importance it has assumed not only in the struggle for justice for these boys, but also as a symbol in the struggle for true justice for men of all races in America.

Although Mr. Liebowitz will serve without fee the expenses of a trial like this are very heavy. We will have to fight a prosecutor, Tom Knight, formerly Attorney General and now Lt. Governor of the State of Alabama, whose political future he thinks is bound up with the success of this prosecution. The case will be called in January. We shall need between $10,000 and $15,000 probably for the defense and much of that must be on hand very promptly. While our main purpose in writing you is to ask whether we may use your name as one of the national committee of sponsors, we are also bold to ask these sponsors whether each of them can contribute $5 or more toward the defense. Checks may be made out to Scottsboro Defense Committee.

We shall be glad to receive suggestions from you about the case and about possible ways to raise money for the defense. We shall deeply appreciate an immediate reply which should be addressed to Scottsboro Defense Committee, Room 506, 112 East 19th Street, New York City. We shall be glad to furnish you with a copy of Judge Horton's opinion setting aside the jury's verdict of guilty in one of the former trials of the Scottsboro boys.

Sincerely yours,

Norman Thomas

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[THOMAS SERVICE STATION]

Thomas, W. D.
Service Station

MEMORANDUM TO BURCH AND THOMAS
FROM DR. DU BOIS

April 3, 1935

Will you attend to the following things with regard to my car. I shall call for it at the station tonight at five o'clock:

1. Flush the radiator.
2. Change the oil and refill.
3. Grease and alemite.
4. Fill and test batteries.
5. Adjust carburetor and clean points.
6. Air in tires.
7. Wash and polish.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-6-60

April 26, 1935

Mr. W. D. Thomas
THOMAS SERVICE STATION
Hunter and Jeptha Streets
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Thomas:

The shock-absorbers on my car have never been good. They are the old oil pressure type. I should like to have better ones but would not like the expense of putting in brand new ones.

Will you kindly inquire or look about and see if it would be possible or advisable to buy a good set, second-hand? Let me know what you find out.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure...check

[THOMAS SERVICE STATION]

14-6-61

MEMORANDUM TO: MR. THOMAS
FROM: DR. DU BOIS

April 30, 1935

New York checks must be endorsed not only legibly but also in ink. I think it is the matter of ink that has caused the return of your checks. I am enclosing Check Number 238 which was returned unpaid on account of endorsement and also Check Number 265 which pays the current bill.

WEBD/DW
Enclosures 2.

14-6-62

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 16, 1935

Mr. W. D. Thomas
THOMAS SERVICE STATION
JEPTHA AND HUNTER STREETS
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Thomas:

I was sorry not to be able to come to your reception May 14, but I had an engagement for dinner which was long standing and I couldn't break it. I congratulate your sister upon the good news.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[THOMAS SERVICE STATION]

14-6-63

Memorandum to: Mr. Thomas
From: Dr. Du Bois

1. Please grease and alemite the car, except do not touch the front wheels and the generator.

2. Change the oil.

3. Clean the sparkplugs.

4. Flush the radiator.

5. Look at the batteries.

6. See that there are 35 pounds in the tires.

7. Clean the upholstery and the inside of the car.

8. Wash the car, top and bottom, and polish.

If you finish before five o'clock, send it to the Administration Building. If after five o'clock, to the dormitory.

October 1, 1935

(THOMAS SERVICE STATION)

14-6-64

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Thomas
From: Dr. Du Bois

1. Please check the tires and batteries.

2. See if you can find the knock in the engine.

3. Wash the car.

November 11, 1935

(W. H. Thomas)

[THOMAS SERVICE STATION]

29-9-14

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Thomas
From: Dr. Du Bois

I'm taking a trip North, starting Friday. Will you please thoroughly inspect the car, change the oil, putting in a thiner oil for winter driving, grease and alemite the car, tighten all body bolts, tune up the engine, clean the spark plugs, see that the tires have 35 pounds and that the battery has water, see that the generator does not over-charge as I am driving in the day-time mostly.

Look over the stearing gear and note anything that needs attention.

December 18, 1935

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JOURNAL OF NEGRO EDUCATION
A QUARTERLY REVIEW OF THE PROBLEMS
INCIDENT TO THE EDUCATION OF NEGROES

14-23-46

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 11,1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 5th with which you sent me a statement concerning the scope of the proposed Encyclopaedia of the Negro, and ask whether or not I would agree to contribute an article or articles to this volume.

In answer to your query as to whether or not such a volume is timely may I state that there is a considerable need for some authentic and comprehensive source on the Negro in American life. Whether this need would be filled by the publishing of such an Encyclopaedia would, of course, depend upon the nature of the Encyclopaedia but, in general, I should say there is a need for such a volume.

In answer to your second query as to whether or not I would consider an article on some subject to be decided upon later, may I state that I shall be very glad to do so and the general field in which I should prefer to make such a contribution would naturally be in the field of education. I shall be glad to make this more explicit later, if necessary.

Sincerely yours,

Chas. H. Thompson
Editor

Duke University
DURHAM
NORTH CAROLINA

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

November 27, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-29-3

Dear Dr. DuBois:

I am writing to ask if you can give me information, or direct me to sources of information, concerning the sex ratios of slaves introduced historically into the West Indies, South America, and the United States. I know that males predominated generally, but I would like to get some better idea of the proportions male and female in the African slave trade.

If you know of any studies in which this point has been considered, I would very much appreciate knowing about them.

Very truly yours,

Edgar T. Thompson

Edgar T. Thompson,
Professor of Sociology

December 2, 1935

Mr. Edgar T. Thompson
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

14-22-4

My dear Professor Thompson:

It would be difficult for you to find any exact information concerning the sex distribution of slaves brought to the Western continent. You will find incidental statements in Bryan Edward's "History of the British Colonies in the West Indies" in each of the four different editions, and in such stories of slavers as Canot. Also, I believe there are some figures in the voluminous testimony given before the slave trade committee of Parliament with which you are doubtless familiar.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

MEMORANDUM

14-25-66

To: Mr. Thompson
From: Dr. Du Bois

Some teachers at the Booker T. Washington High School would like to buy "Black Reconstruction". I should think you might make contact with them and charge them—say $3.00 or $3.50 a copy, and thus make something for yourself.

October 29, 1935

WEBD/DW

Robert Thompson

[Thurman, Howard]

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LIFE

October 7, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

14-21

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Mr. Thurman sailed for India September 21, 1935. He is scheduled to return to this country sometime in the early spring. However, I am sending your letter to him today and I am certain he will write you from India. If you desire any further information, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Taylor

Ruth Taylor
Secretary to Mr. Thurman

14-23-55

Howard Thurman

My dear Dr. Dubois

Your letter under date of September 10 was forwarded to me in India.

This note is to assure you of my willingness to cooperate in the plans for the Encyclopedia of the Negro. My field of interest is Religion. I would be happy to prepare an article on the Christian Religion and the Negro. The subject will have to be made specific and comprehensive stated as the article itself limited to certain phases of the problem. This can be done later. Suffice it to say that I am in hearty accord with the plan and I am willing

to cooperate along the lines indicated.

My development would not be along conventional lines but it would be genuine and authentic.

We are visiting 49 college & university centers in this great land of religion and paradoxes - I wish I might be privileged to talk with you when I return.

Sincerely yours,

Nov 18, 1935

Until March 1, 1936 - you may address me c/o Rallia Ram
Student Christian Movement of India
Burma & Ceylon
Scaibae Jamna
Allahabad, India

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October 8, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

14-21-4

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I have yours of September 10th, indicating that there is some possibility of your going ahead with the Encyclopaedia of the Negro. You may depend upon my cooperation for any needed contribution to the contents of the Encyclopaedia. Assuming that you know the line along which my experiences have run, I would want you to suggest the contribution that would be most needed from me.

I do hope that the project will be revived because I believe you are the one man among us capable of doing a first class job on it. I say this because I know of no other person in whom we find combined the elements of scholarship, experience and of prestige in such measure as is true in your case. This fact makes me more enthusiastic about the revival of the project than I would otherwise be.

With cordial good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

C. H. Tobias.

CHT:ERR

14-23-06

City of New York
Municipal Court
Borough of Manhattan - Tenth District
1 West 125th Street
New York

JUSTICES' CHAMBERS (Unofficial)

CHARLES E. TONEY, JUSTICE

December 12, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

Re: Encyclopedia of the Negro

My dear Dr. DuBois:

In reply to your favor of November 14th last, allow me to say that I have gone over the abstract of the memorandum, which you enclosed in your letter concerning the above named matter, and am of the opinion that the work, such as is proposed, would be of great value and the scope of it, as indicated in the memorandum, seems to be broad enough to make it of great value as a book of reference.

I quite agree with the intentions of the organizations promoting the proposition and shall be glad to co-operate to whatever extent I am able. I doubt, however, whether I

shall have time to make the proper research for an article, such as you have suggested that I should write. I should be glad, however, when your plans are more mature to discuss the matter with you.

Very truly yours,

Chas E Tower

October 11, 1935

Mr. Fred Tozmor
240 Sunset Avenue, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

14-35

My dear Mr. Tozmor:

I want some facts concerning the rise of insurance among colored people in Atlanta, dates, facts and figures concerning the Atlanta Life and earlier insurance companies and Standard Life and its various developments. Can you furnish me any information, either by letter or in printed form?

I should be under great obligations.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

University of Toronto
TORONTO 5, CANADA

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

November 25th, 1935.

Our letter received
Do not cut

Moreland

14-23

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta Georgia

Dear Mr. DuBois:

The degree was not actually conferred on Marion Moreland as the thesis required revision. He is proceeding with this to my satisfaction.

The present address is

Langston University
Langston, Oklahoma.

With apologies for delay in replying.

Yours sincerely,

G. S. Brett.

Dean.

5J:226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
June 22nd, 1935

To the Editor
Town and Country Review
244 Old Kent Road
London, S.E. 1
England

Dear Sir:

You will find my biography in "WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA." If there are any further details I can furnish I shall be glad to. I understand that this involves no payment or purchase of copies.

Very sincerely yours,

webd/s

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

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LONDON, S.E.1

14-12-64

5th July, 1935.

W.E.B.DuBois.Esq.,
226, West 150th Street,
New York.
U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

We desire to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 22nd ult., and as you suggest, we are having the Biographical Sketch prepared from the data available in "Who's Who in America". Draft of this will be sent for your perusal when ready.

In the meantime, if you have any photographs or portraits of domestic, social or professional interest, we shall be pleased to receive same, as when publishing this biography, we should like to include suitable pictorial matter.

We hope that you will be able to send such photos for our consideration, and we would assure you that they will be safely returned after use.

With compliments,
Yours faithfully,

EDITOR.

P.S. Should you desire copies of the issue containing this matter we shall be pleased to know your requirements so that proper reservation may be made.

WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE

INSTITUTE, WEST VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY
PAUL J. MOORE
DOUGLASS R. TURNER

14-23-10

C

December 16, 1935

Doctor W. E. B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Doctor DuBois:

Your letter of the sixth of December was forwarded from Texas to me. I received it today.

I know that there is a great demand for an authoritative collection of articles concerning the Negro. Ioften receive requests for information on the Negro--information which should appear in an "Encyclopaedia Of The Negro". No later than last week, I answered such a letter.

I should be glad to contribute an article or articles concerning some subject on which I am informed.

I am interested in occupational opportunities for Negroes in the field of Chemistry, having written several articles on the subject. At present I am attempting to make an analysis of the theses of Negroes who have obtained advanced degrees in Chemistry. Conversations with some of the plant managers and supervisors in this great center of chemical industries, the Kanawha Valley, have led me to believe that there will be more openings for the trained Negro chemist in Industry. I am curious to know how the types of work expected of the industrial chemist compare with the types of research work done by Negroes in the Colleges.

Also, I am interested in the Negro in tennis. I have been rather active in the development of organized tennis among Negroes of the Middle West and the South West.

Let me assure you of my interest and willingness to co-operate with you. I sincerely hope that it will be possible for the "Encyclopaedia Of The Negro" to become an actuality before many more years.

Very sincerely yours,

Douglass R. Turner

Douglass R. Turner.

14-23-38

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Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

December 7, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

I have read with a great deal of interest your letter of November 14 and the abstract which it contained regarding the publishing of an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. I think there is need for such a study and that your plan is an excellent one.

My special interests are Negro literature and Negro dialects in the United States. I shall be glad to cooperate in any way I can.

Very sincerely yours,

Lorenzo D. Turner

HAMPTON INSTITUTE
HAMPTON, VIRGINIA

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DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY

14-23-58

November 22, 1935

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I have your letter of November 5, and regret that the pressure of work has caused the delay in replying.

I wish to say that I am in full agreement with you that the time is ripe for an authoritative collection of articles on the Negro, and I shall be glad to aid in whatever way I can in promoting the project which you have on foot.

It might be feasible for me to undertake articles along two lines. The first, concerning the Catholic Church and the Negro in the U.S. The second, the Negro in the U.S. from a genetical standpoint. There is a third line in which I have been interested; the opportunities before the Negro in the field of science. These headings are tentative and might be changed to suit any particular scheme which the editors have in mind.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas W. Turner

Thomas W. Turner
Head, Dep't. of Biology

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TUSKEGEE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE

FOUNDED BY BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

FOR THE TRAINING OF COLORED YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, ALABAMA

August 3, 1935

14-12-6

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Room 204
200 West 135th Street
New York City

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I am writing to advise that the communication you have received from Mr. Eugene H. Moorman is the writing of a mental defective. Any further communications from him may safely be treated as such.

Thank you for writing me.

Very truly yours,

F. D. Patterson

President

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Room 204
200 West 135 Street
New York, New York

August 29, 1935

7-21-41

President of
Tuskegee Institute
Tuskegee, Alabama

My dear Sir:

I have received the enclosed letter and I am a little puzzled by it. Apparently Mr. Moorman is using a letterhead which says that he is President of Tuskegee Institute. I think at any rate the matter ought to be looked into.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW
Enclosure 1.

December 13, 1935

14-12-8

The Registrar of
Tuskegee Institute
Tuskegee, Alabama

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly send me a copy of your last datalogue.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[MARK TWAIN]

S-21-h1

CYRIL CLEMENS
INTERNATIONAL MARK TWAIN SOCIETY
WEBSTER GROVES, MISSOURI

Feb 27. 1935

Dear Dr. DuBois:-

A symposium of tributes is being arranged in honor of Mark Twain's Centenary. If you would participate by sending a tribute, its memory would receive additional glory. The editors will show you that your literary confreres have been tardy.

With all good wishes

Yours truly

Cyril Clemens

P.S. This summer I have been

Rereading with very great pleasure
Jam Suppression of the Slave Trade.

It is a most scholarly work,
splendidly written.

JESSE O. THOMAS, *President*
250 Auburn Ave., N. E.

B. T. HARVEY, *Vice President*
Morehouse College

F. A. TOOMER, *Secretary*
148 Auburn Ave., N. E.

F. D. GASSETT, *Assistant Secretary*
Morehouse College

E. M. MARTIN, *Treasurer*
148 Auburn Ave., N. E.

THE 27 CLUB

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
PHONE: WALNUT 3119
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

The Twenty-seven Club

invites

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

to hear

Dr. Frederick Douglass Patterson

President-elect Tuskegee Institute

speak

in the

Exhibition Room

Atlanta University Library

April 28, 1935

7:27 P. M.

14-12

The Twenty-seven Club

cordially invites you to dance with its members
and friends at

TAFT HALL

on the evening of Friday, December twenty-seventh
Nineteen hundred thirty-five
from 10:27 P. M to 2:27 A. M.

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Mr. W. E. B. DuBois &c.

COMPLIMENTS OF

(Union Station) Myrtle Letter

Railroad

(Charge to Atlanta University.)

April 5, 1935

PULLMAN OFFICE
UNION STATION
Washington, D.C.

Reserve lower berth Washington to Greensboro on Southern Railway Number Thirty Seven leaving Washington Three Five Sunday morning April Seventh

W. E. B. Du Bois

[U.S. - DEPT OF COMMERCE]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 26, 1935

141-11-27

Mr. E. K. Jones
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Jones:

I should like to get as complete a picture as possible of what the N.R.A. has done for the American Negro. Can you let me have anything that covers the work of the Department of Commerce.

I should be greatly obliged.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[U.S. - DEPT. OF COMMERCE]

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COMMERCE

WASHINGTON

April 30, 1935

IN REPLY REFER TO 26

14-11-28

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois
Box 356
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Du Bois:

In reply to your letter of April 26, I am sending to you a statement I have gotten together from information I have gathered from various departments and administrations in Washington. In view of the fact that this material was gathered in that way, I would prefer that this information not be credited to the Department of Commerce or to myself. I am also enclosing a little summary of the work I have been doing from my office in the Department of Commerce which you may use as information in the same way.

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Employment White Collar

You will be interested in knowing that in the card punching and tabulation of the Agricultural Census, we now have about one hundred and fifty colored young men and women on the staff in the Bureau of the Census here (the number to be increased a little later), and Charles E. Hall, who has for many years been handling Negro statistics in the Census Bureau, has been recommended for appointment as Chief of the Division of Negro Statistics in the Census Bureau. He is now working on the final proof of his new publications, "The Negroes in The United States: 1920-1932" and is getting out some interesting information covering the marketing and advertising possibilities of the Negro population in the trade areas in some of our larger cities and their environs.

We are making an effort to bring to the Negro a fair share of the benefits from the new work relief program. We have many friends holding high places in the administration who are conscientiously striving to give us cooperation and assistance.

If there is further information you desire, please make any specific request and I shall attempt to comply with it.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Eugene Kinckle Jones

EUGENE KINCKLE JONES
Adviser on Negro Affairs

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

February 26, 1936

14-2-61

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois,
Department of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Du Bois:

Dr. Foreman has referred to me your letter of February 21 addressed to him relative to Mrs. Myra Jones Bryant.

I have already written Mrs. Bryant to the effect that it is impossible for me to make any suggestions to her relative employment in connection with the Birmingham housing project since the plans for management are, as yet, indefinite.

I shall be delighted to do anything possible to see that Mrs. Bryant is given proper consideration when the choice of personnel is being made.

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Weaver

Robert C. Weaver,
Adviser on Negro Affairs

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 26, 1935

Dr. Robert Weaver
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Weaver:

I want to get as complete a picture as I can in brief compass of just what the N. R. A. has done and has not done for the American Negro. I should be very glad to have your direction and advice and any literature that you can recommend.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[U.S. - DEPT. OF INTERIOR]

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

May 1, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

Dr. Foreman has asked me to answer your letter of April 26, addressed to him, at the same time that I am answering the one addressed to me.

I am not sure that I understand exactly what you want in connection with the NRA. I am assuming that you use "NRA" in its technical sense, rather than in its popular implication; that is to say, I assume you are interested in the National Recovery Administration per se, rather than in the Recovery program as a whole. There is much discussion concerning the effects of the codes of fair competition under the NRA upon Negroes. I know of no comprehensive study. There are, however, certain fragmentary data available.

At the inception of the controversy over the NRA and the Negro, the Atlanta Urban League and the Interracial Commission of Atlanta made a study of the displacement of Negroes by the NRA. This study is available, I believe, at the Interracial Commission in Atlanta. About two months ago, John P. Davis had an article in the New Republic concerning the Negro and the New Deal, and in Norman Thomas' most recent book there is a chapter which concerns itself with the effect of the Recovery program upon Negroes, and reference is made to the NRA in this chapter. I need not, of course, call to your attention the recent files of the Crisis and Opportunity magazines. While I was connected with the Joint Committee on National Recovery, I prepared a study on "The Negro and National Recovery." That study was prepared for the organization I name above and, if you desire to obtain a copy of it, it will be necessary to secure it through the Joint Committee on National Recovery. The NRA held a series of hearings concerning the effect of the codes upon labor and the country in general last year. At those hearings John P. Davis presented a resume of

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the effects of the codes upon Negroes. No doubt he has copies of his testimony available for distribution. More recently Mr. Davis appeared before a Congressional committee and discussed the same subject.

I fear that the references indicated above will give a one-sided picture of the situation in that most of them are written from a most critical point of view. Unfortunately I do not know where the other side of the picture has been presented except in a recent article in the Crisis by Howard A. Myers of the National Advisory Board of the National Recovery Administration. I am sending you this material in a rather informal form in order to avoid delay; consequently, in many instances I have not been able to give you exact dates or accurate references; however, I believe that you will find it fairly simple to secure the material I suggest.

I trust that this is the type of thing you want and will be glad to send you additional information if this is not the type of material you desire.

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Weaver

Robert C. Weaver,
Adviser on the Economic
Status of Negroes.

14-30-67

October 2, 1935

Dr. Robert Weaver
Department of the Interior
Washington, D. C.

14-2-58

My dear Dr. Weaver:

I want to get hold of everything of importance that has been published concerning the Negro and the New Deal since June. Can you give me any references?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Department of Sociology,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois: Dr. Foreman has asked me to answer your letter of October 2 addressed to him at the same time that I answer the one addressed to me under the same date. I do not believe that there are any references I can give you concerning the Negro and the New Deal which would be unknown to you at the present time. The columns of the Crisis and Opportunity have had some of the best things published on this subject. There are, of course, the Communistic criticisms of the New Masses and the daily papers of the left wing group. I understand that Spero prepared an article on the Negro and the New Deal for the Encyclopedia of Social Science.

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While I was connected with the Joint Committee on National Recovery, I prepared a fifteen page report on the same subject. It was written at the inception of the program and dealt, for the most part, with an analysis of the codes. If you are interested in seeing this, I think I can lend you the one remaining copy which I have. It is more of a critical analysis than a factual presentation of results. I am sure that you have written to John P. Davis of the Joint Committee on National Recovery. Mr. Davis has completed recently a couple of studies on the TVA and the housing program. While I disagree with many of the statements and some of the interpretations made by him, I believe his studies are valuable.

Within the next month or two, this office will probably be in a position to supply you with some interesting data concerning the participation of Negroes in the program of the Housing Division. It is necessary to postpone the release of such material until a later date since the new program predicated upon the Presidential allotment has just swung into action. In the event that you are interested in knowing the types of things this office has been doing in relation to the Public Works Administration and the Department

(Dr. W. E. B. DuBois - October 7, 1935)

of the Interior, I shall be glad to discuss the matter with you and to go through some of the material which is in our files.

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Weaver

Robert C. Weaver,
Adviser on Negro Affairs.

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[U.S. - FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION]

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

April 26, 1935

Mr. Henry Hunt
FORT VALLEY HIGH
AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL
Fort Valley, Georgia

14-28-21

My dear Mr. Hunt:

I am sending this to Fort Valley instead of Washington so as to be sure it reaches you. If you are not in Fort Valley, perhaps this will be forwarded to Washington.

I want to get as complete a picture as possible in small compass of what the N.R.A. has done for the American Negro. Will you let me know just what has been done and planned in the Department of Agriculture and what plans there are in the future? Can you send me a copy of the proposed Bankhead bill? I shall hold anything you say in confidence.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

[U.S. - FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION]

1520 R Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.,
May 9, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. DuBois:

14-28-22

Your letter of April 26 reached me while I was in Georgia but I am just now finding time to reply.

Inclosed you will find copy of the proposed Bankhead Bill. The following paragraph from a well known news agency here in Washington accords with my own idea regarding the fate of this Bill.

> "Bankhead farm tenant bill probably will not become law. This provides a billion for loans to tenant farmers for purchase of their own farms and supplies. There's strong sentimental support for it."

I am not quite sure just where I shall be able to get the information you desire on the service of the NRA. Somehow I have an idea that perhaps John P. Davis, Secretary of the Joint Committee on National Recovery, is probably in position to give more information on that than anyone I know. You have probably seen his article: "A Black Inventory of the New Deal," in the May issue of the Crisis.

I shall attempt to secure some information on what has been done and is being planned in the Department of Agriculture. Up to this time I know of nothing except the service of Farm and Home Demonstration Agents. As I understand it, Negroes are supposed to be included in the rural rehabilitation project, but this, I believe, will be a part of the emergency relief program and connected only indirectly, if at all, with the Department of Agriculture.

While you did not ask it, I shall try to send you also within a short time some pertinent facts touching the service of the Farm Credit Administration. This organization also, as you may remember, has no direct connection with the Department of Agriculture, but is an independent organization with the executive officer — "The Governor" — directly responsible to the President.

Any time you are coming this way I shall be glad to see you or have you give me a ring.

Very truly yours,

H. A. Hunt.

[U.S. - FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION]

H. A. HUNT, PRINCIPAL

L. R. BYWATERS, TREASURER

The Fort Valley Normal and Industrial School

INCORPORATED

For the Training of
Young Colored Men and Women

Fort Valley, Georgia

REFERENCES

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MR. GEO. FOSTER PEABODY,
SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.

REFERENCES

MR. A. J. EVANS,
FORT VALLEY, GA.

MR. THEODORE J. LEWIS,
1500 WALNUT ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA.

1520 R St.N.W.,
Washington, D.C.
May 18, 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Care of Mr. John P. Davis,
Joint Committee on National Recovery,
717 Florida Avenue N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

14-28-23

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I had hoped very much that I should be able to see you while you were here in Washington but unfortunately I am obliged to leave this afternoon for New York and shall not be back until after the middle of next week.

I trust you received the copy of the Bankhead Bill which I sent you. Since that time the prospect of its enactment is apparently a little brighter than it was then.

Thus far I have been unable to learn that the Department of Agriculture is doing anything more for Negroes than when I wrote you nor have I been able to get any additional information on NRA. Mr. John P. Davis is probably in position to give you more information on that subject than anybody that I know of.

Sincerely yours,

H. A. Hunt.

H. A. Hunt.

(U S - Farm Credit Admin)

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

IN REPLY REFER TO

Macon, Ga.
September 30, 1935

Dr. W.E.B. DuBois,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Ga.

14-28-24

My dear Dr. DuBois:

As I passed through Atlanta last week I took up the matter of arranging for a meeting in Atlanta Sunday, October 6th, at which time you would speak on cooperation. Mrs. M. Agnes Jones, Supevisor of Schools, and Mr. Reginald Johnson, Executive Secretary of the Atlanta Urban League agreed to advertise a meeting with the hope of securing a good audience. I explained to them that after your address I wished to take just a little time to say a word about Federal Credit Unions with the hope of creating interest in the subject of cooperation and securing a larger membership for the Teachers Federal Credit Union in Atlanta.

I am planning to reach Atlanta Friday and trust I may have opportunity to have a word with you before Sunday.

Sincerely yours,

H.A. Hunt

H.A. Hunt
Assistant to the Governor

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

February 7, 1935

13-29-11

The Federal Emergency Relief Administration
1734 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I want to secure all of the published reports and releases concerning the relief of transients in the United States through state agencies. Will you kindly tell me where I should apply for such reports, or refer this letter to an agency who can tell me?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

Relief Administration [U.S. - F.E.R.A.]

FEDERAL EMERGENCY RELIEF ADMINISTRATION
WALKER-JOHNSON BUILDING
1734 NEW YORK AVENUE, NW.
WASHINGTON

February 14, 1935

14-9-17

Mr. W. E. B. Du Bois
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Du Bois:

In answer to your letter of February 7, we are enclosing the following information:

1. Quarterly Census of Transients Under Care on September 30, 1934, which gives the age and race distribution.

2. Special Study of Transients in October, 1934.

3. Mid-monthly Census.

If you desire any detailed information concerning the program in any particular state, I would suggest that you communicate with the state transient director. I am enclosing for your information a list of the state transient directors.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Wickenden

Elizabeth Wickenden
Assistant Director
Transient Activities

(U.S.-LIBERIAN LEGATION)

5J: 226 West 150th Street
New York, N. Y.
July 9th, 1935

Mr. Lester Walton
2816 8th Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Walton:

May I give you sincere congratulations on your appointment to Liberia. It is a great chance and a touch job! Advice is cheap, but I have some for you:

(1) The villain in this play is the Firestone Company and on the other hand they are going to be so nice to you and your family in a country where entertainment and society is scarce that you will have a hard time escaping them. Nevertheless, if you play your game right, you can save the independence of Liberia.

(2) The Liberians are just ordinary humans that need new blood and modern ideas, but they have done a frightfully good job in keeping their independence in the face of the world for over 100 years. They deserve more sympathy than criticism.

(3) Your great difficulty is going to be your health. The English have this all worked out for their civil servants. They have a tropical school which is the best on earth in London, and they see that their appointees get proper medical careand dress properly. You can get a good deal of medical advice, etc. here in this country, but I think you ought to stop by the London school, if possible.

Also, use light summer clothes - linens and white ducks, in spite of the fool regulations and customs of the United States officials. Talk to the people in Washington about this.

Before you go we must have luncheon together at my expense. I am going to be here until July 18th and again August 20th to September 20th. Let me hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. B. DuBois

LESTER A. WALTON
2816 EIGHTH AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

July 18, 1935

14-30-87

Dr. W. E. Burghardt DuBois
5-J: 226 West 150th Street
New York City

My dear Dr. DuBois:

I wish to thank you for your letter of July 9th in which you congratulate me upon my designation by President Roosevelt as American Minister to the Republic of Liberia. I appreciate the suggestions you were good enough to make and hope to discuss the subject more fully when I see you.

Relative to lunching together at your expense, I shall get in touch with you by telephone before you leave town.

Sincerely,

Lester A. Walton

LAW:g

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

August 29, 1935

14-2-62

The Honorable Lester Walton
United States Minister Resident
Monrovia, Liberia

My dear Walton:

I was very sorry indeed to be out of town so long. I got in just in time to be too late to arrange to bid you good-bye on the boat, so I am sending this short note to greet you in Liberia.

I hope you are going to have a good and profitable stay and that you will enjoy the work. When you have opportunity, give my best greetings to President Barclay and to Chief Justice Grimes.

Greetings to your family!

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

London, Sept. 17, 1935.

14-16-Z

Dear Mr. Von Boris:

Upon reading the enclosed I thought of you and wondered if you would be good enough to comment editorially on same in The New York Ag. It seems to me that a reproduction of the article with comment by you would be highly interesting and educational.

I am so sorry I was not privileged to see you before I sailed. I had several matters I wanted to discuss.

We have had an enjoyable sojourn here since arrival - Sept. 3. Sail to-morrow from Liverpool on the Olympic, scheduled to reach Monrovia on Sept. 29.

Took family to Paris to spend

week-end. Had enjoyable visit.

I have been given every consideration as American diplomatic officer by American Embassy and Consulate here, also in Paris.

Please write me now and then to Monrovia. I know President Barclay thinks highly of you, and your continued interest in Liberia will be very much appreciated.

With very good wish, Dan,

Sincerely yours.

Peter A Halton

October 9, 1935

Honorable Lester A. Walton
United States Minister to Liberia
Monrovia, Liberia

14-16-1

My dear Mr. Walton:

I have your letter from London. I should hesitate to write the editorial for the New York Age unless asked, but if I am asked at any time, I shall do so gladly.

I have had news of your arrival and reception in Liberia. You have got a big job on hand, especially in the light of the Ethiopian situation. I wish you all success!

My best regards to you and the family.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

LEGATION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Monrovia,
Oct. 21-35.

4-2-63

My dear Mr. Du Bois:

Thank you for yours of August 29, which I found upon my arrival September 30. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me your good wishes, which I know come from the heart. I have conveyed your greetings to President Barclay and Chief Justice Grimes, who wish to be remembered to you. I am happy to report that conditions are changing for the better. Please write.

Faithfully,

Dysart Walton

Souls of Black Folk

Souls

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 3, 1935

The Division of Copyrights
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

In 1903, A. C. McClurg and Company of Chicago published a book of mine, "Souls of Black Folk". The contract placed the copyright of this book in my name but later editions have put it in their name. I write to ask if the copyright of this book has expired or if not when it will?

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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[U.S. Library of Congress]

OFFICE OF THE
REGISTER OF COPYRIGHTS

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS
COPYRIGHT OFFICE
WASHINGTON

RSM-MAB

May 14, 1935.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of May 3, we report that entry was made in this Office for a work entitled "Souls of Black Folk," by William Edward Burghardt DuBois, in the name of A. C. McClurg & Company on April 27, 1903, under No. A-58314. A search in our renewal claimant indexes and renewal book author indexes fails to disclose any registration for this work in the name of the author; neither do we find any later entry for a subsequent edition in the name of William Edward Burghardt DuBois or A. C. McClurg & Company.

As you will note from Circular No. 15, inclosed, copyright in the United States endures for a first term of twenty-eight years, during only the last year of which renewal registration can be made. Failing such registration during the last or statutory year, the copyright lapses and cannot thereafter be revived.

Respectfully,

Enclosure:
Cir. 15.

A. R. L. Brown
Register of Copyrights.

Mr. William Edward Burghardt DuBoise,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS
COPYRIGHT OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

RENEWAL OF COPYRIGHT.—The first term of copyright is 28 years.

Renewal registration can be made only during the last year of the first term of copyright, and all renewals will be for the additional term of 28 years, under the provision of the said act of 1909. The total possible term, including renewal, is 56 years.

Prior to July 1, 1909, the copyright term began on the date of registration. Under the present law (effective July 1, 1909), the copyright term begins on the date of publication.

The formality now required is the filing of the renewal application at the proper time (during the last year of the first term of copyright protection), accompanied by the statutory fee of $1. No copies of the work upon which renewal is claimed are required to be sent.

For such filing of the required application for the renewal term, use copyright renewal blank "R", which will be supplied by the Copyright Office upon request.

The claimant's full name should be given in the form in which it would be affixed to any other legal document. The name of a married woman should be her own name, not that of her husband prefixed by "Mrs." The use of mere initials is generally insufficient. Full names should be given.

Renewal can be made ONLY in behalf of the beneficiaries named in section 24 of the Copyright Act of March 4, 1909, namely—

1. The **author** of such work, if still living.
2. The **widow** of the author.
3. The **widower** of the author.
4. The **children** of the author, if the author is not living.
5. The author's **executors,**) if the author, widow, widower, or chil-
6. The author's **next of kin,** in absence of a will,) dren be not living.
7. The **proprietor** of a composite work, if it is a composite work upon which copyright was originally secured by the present proprietor.

It should be observed that failing to file the required application for renewal within the statutory year, the last year of the first term of copyright, the copyright terminates under express terms of the law and it is too late thereafter to attempt to revive such expired copyright.

There can be no renewal of copyright at the present time except under the provisions of section 24 of the copyright law of March 4, 1909. Renewals under section 23 of the act cited can not be made until July 1, 1936.

Wm. Brown
Register of Copyrights

EXPLANATORY CIRCULAR 15
Renewal of Copyright
(July, 1934—1,500)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1934

In reply refer to: LR-3-MGE [U. S. - RESETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION]

RESETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON

AUG 26 1935

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,
Dunbar Apartments,
W. 150th St.,
New York.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

14-26-13

During the latter part of next week, Mr. Keith Southard and Dr. Ted Scholtz will be in New York and will attempt to call on you. Mr. Southard is director of the Planning Division of the Resettlement Administration, and Dr. Scholtz is one of his associates. They will want you to talk to them informally and unofficially with complete frankness concerning special proposals that should be undertaken on account of Negroes in the United States. I am taking the liberty of writing you this letter because I particularly suggested that they call on you, and also because I wanted to urge you to talk to them freely and frankly.

I trust you are having a pleasant summer in New York.

Sincerely yours,

Mercer G. Evans

MERCER G. EVANS
Division of Labor Relations

[U.S. - RESETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION]

Room 204
200 West 135 Street
New York, New York

August 29, 1935

Mr. Mercer G. Evans
Division of Labor Relations
Resettlement Administration
Washington, D. C.

14-26-14

Reply No: LR-3-MGE

My dear Mr. Evans:

I have your letter of August 26. I shall be very glad indeed to see Mr. Southard and Mr. Scholtz when they come to New York. Will you please have them write me at: 226 West 150 Street, or telephone me at Edgecombe 4-9223. I shall be glad to make an appointment with them.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

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Night letter

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Charge to Atlanta University

May 2, 1935

Senator Arthur Capper
SENATE OFFICE BUILDING
Washington, D. C.

May I strongly urge you to use every effort to report the Bankhead Farm Tenant Bill to the Senate promptly and do what you can for its early passage Stop I believe that the only salvation for the Negro farmer today as in Reconstruction times is Forty Acres and a mule and the Bankhead Bill will be a step toward this

W. E. B. Du Bois

[U.S. - WPA]

Encyclopaedia

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 12, 1935

Mr. Henry G. Alsberg
Director, Federal Writers' Project
World Progress Administration Auditorium
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

This letter is in further explanation and amplification of the project presented to you and your assistant, Mr. Reed Harris, by Mr. Ira Reid September 11.

November 7, 1931, there was a conference of white and Negro scholars and of educational leaders, especially interested in the advancement of the Negro, and held at the invitation of the Phelps Stokes Fund at Howard University. Later, January 9, 1932, the conference reconvened and adopted a memorandum on the project of an Encyclopaedia of the Negro. The conference made a statement concerning its general objects, part of which has been printed and is herewith enclosed. Later, contact was made with representatives of various institutions and learned societies and a Board of Directors elected with officers. The names of these persons are printed on the letterhead of this sheet.

14-30-92

The first problem before this board was the expense of such a project and the method of raising the money. It was estimated on the basis of conferences made with the Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences, the Catholic and Jewish Encyclopaedias, that an encyclopaedia of four volumes, containing about 500,000 words each, would take about four years for writing and publication of it would entail the total expense of $225,000 for four years.

It was proposed that the Board of Directors try to secure from foundations, groups and individuals interested, a fund of $200,000 with the assumption that all expenses of preparing and publishing the material in excess of this figure would be paid for by receipts from the sale of the Encyclopaedia.

The increased severity of the depression brought to a halt for three years all active effort to raise the money required, but last spring the directors held another meeting and determined to make active effort to raise the sums required. It was stated that there seemed to be a fair chance to raise this money in time. Meantime, however, it was regarded as essential that some preliminary work be started. I was, therefore, appointed as the Committee of One to take charge of preliminary correspondence.

I had letterheads printed, opened a small, temporary office at 200 West 135th Street in New York for t he month of September and hired a stenographer and library assistant. We began a tentative list of experts who might aid in the preparation of such an encyclopaedia and whose interest we would like to have. A series of letters to such persons is being sent out.

Meantime, it was suggested to us by Mr. Ira Reid that possibly the Works Progress Administration might be interested in this project, at least to the extent of securing for us government aid for preliminary work. For such work, we could employ from 25-100 persons as research aides for a period of a year, grouping them in Washington, New York, Chicago, Atlanta and New Orleans, and in this way we could lay plans, prepare preliminary bibliographies, collect books and manuscripts, and begin the actual gathering and writing of special data.

Mr. Henry G. Alsberg September 12, 1935

I am writing, therefore, to ask your opinion on the advisability of requesting Federal monies for this project and with the assistance of Mr. Ira Reid, we would be glad to work out a ~~small~~ formal project application.

I am enclosing copies of some of the official data. I beg to refer, also, to Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes of Washington, the President of the Board of Directors, and Professor Benjamin Brawley of Howard University, the Secretary, for any additional information that you might wish.

I shall be glad to hear from you at your convenience.

Very respectfully yours

~~WEBD/DW~~
~~Enclosures~~

W. E. B. Du Bois

14-30-93

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Encyclopaedia

226 West 150 Street
Apartment 5 Jay
New York, New York

September 18, 1935

14-28-70

Mr. Henry G. Alsberg
Director, Federal Writers' Project
World Progress Administration Auditorium
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

Following up my letter of September 12, I beg to say that I am leaving New York City September 19 and that my address thereafter will be: Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DF

Georgia State Industrial College.
Industrial College, Georgia.
May 6, 1935.

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois.
Atlanta University.
Atlanta, Georgia.

14-11-33

My dear Dr. Du Bois;

I am a Senior at Georgia State Industrial College, and a member of the class in Negro Literature.

As subject for my theme in this class I have selected you - or rather, "William E. Burghardt Du Bois- Something of his Life and Works." In reference to this I should be very deeply grateful to you for any available material you may be so kind as to let me use. I should like to conclude my paper with some recent editorial, article, or other quotation direct from you, in addition to the material that I have already read. This consists mainly of biographies, autobiographies, editorials, articles, taken from Who's Who in Colored America, The Negro in Literature and Art (Brawley), Short History of the American Negro (Brawley), your own Darkwater, Souls of Black Folk, editorials from the Crisis, articles from current newspapers, and other books.

I should like to have this information as early as you find it convenient.

Very truly yours,

Dorothy Ury.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 31, 1935

Miss Dorothy Ury
Georgia State Industrial College
Industrial College, Georgia

My dear Madam:

I am very sorry not to be able to answer your letter earlier. I am afraid I cannot furnish you any recent writing, except my book, "Black Reconstruction". I no longer write for THE CRISIS.

I thank you for your interest.

Very sincerely yours

W. E. B. Du Bois

WEBD/DW

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14-18-66

W. E. B. DUBOIS
226 W. 150 Street
New York City

My dear Sir:

For several years you have been kind enough to donate a prize for the annual charity card party for the Utopia Children's House. March 9th has been the date decided on this year.

As the years of the depression increase we find a larger and larger demand for the work that is being done. It is the opinion of the Children's Court that the House is an outstanding factor in reducing juvenile delinquency in this community.

We thank you in advance for the contribution of a prize to be awarded at the card party.

Very sincerely yours,

Leanora E. Pritchett

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